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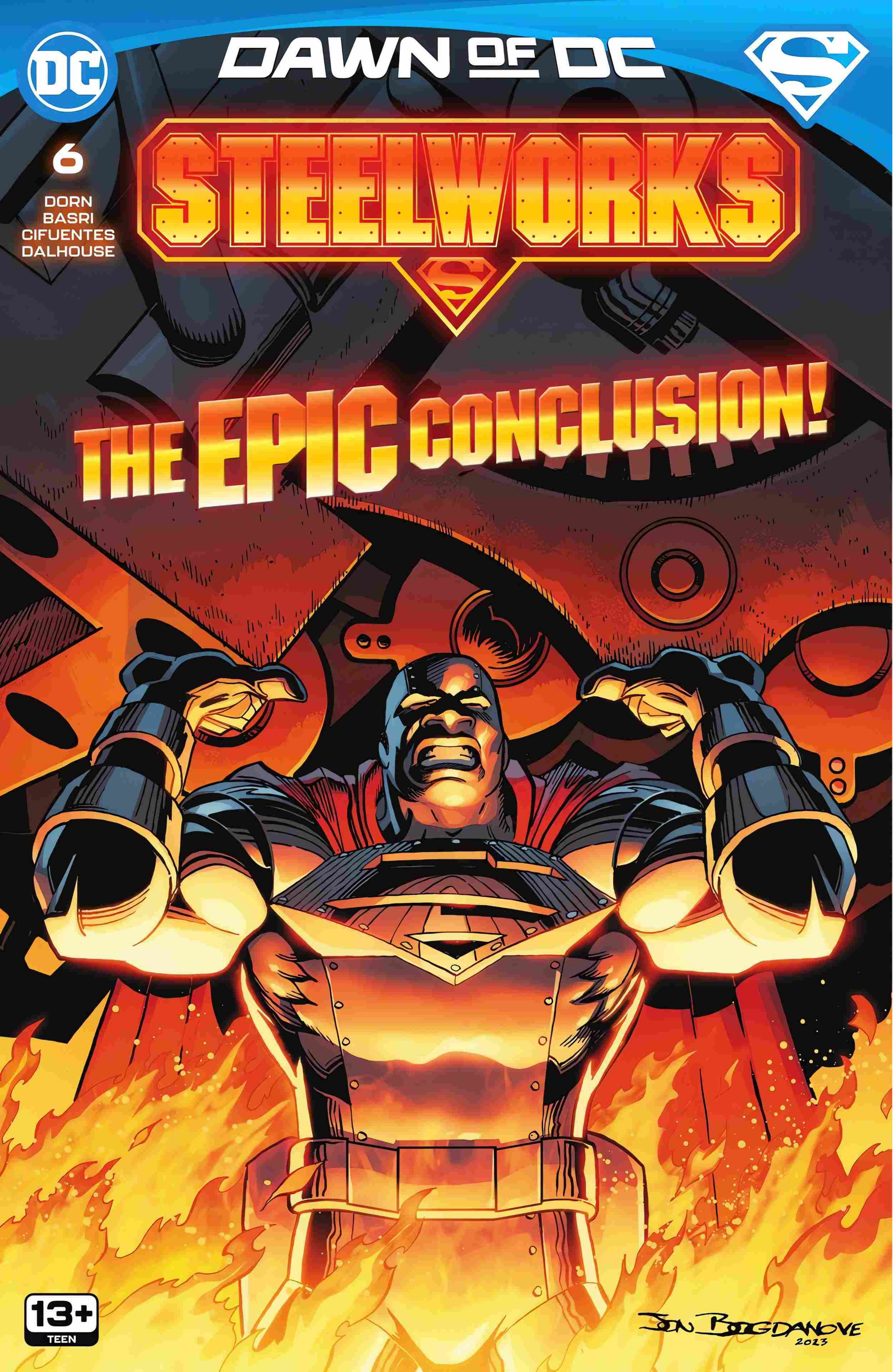
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STEELWORKS



THE EPIC CONCLUSION!



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JOHN BOGDANOV
2023



**THE KING OF
SKULL ISLAND
ENTERS THE
BATTLE!**

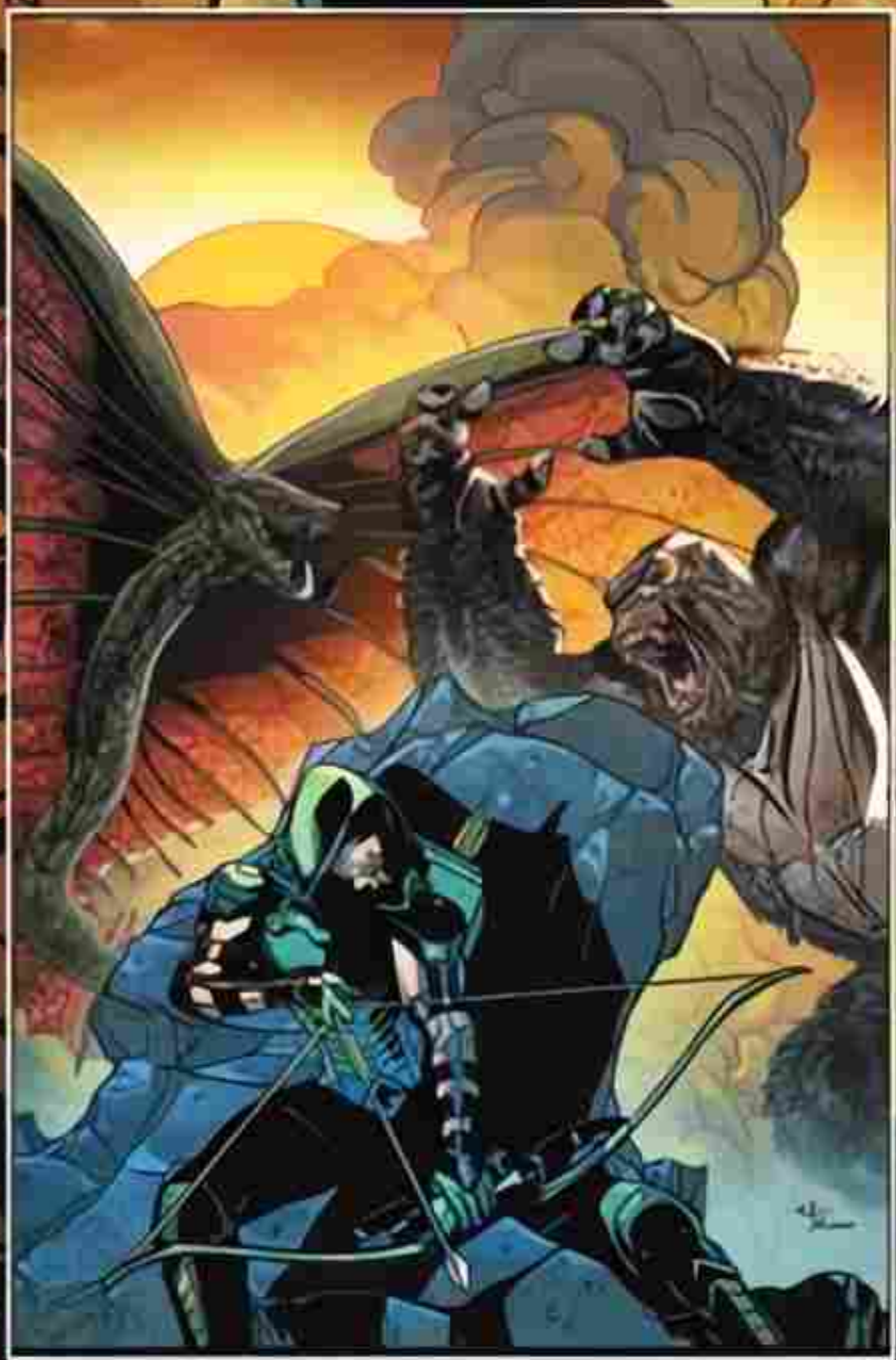
JUSTICE LEAGUE VS. GODZILLA VS. KONG #3

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**The earth-shattering
crossover event continues.**

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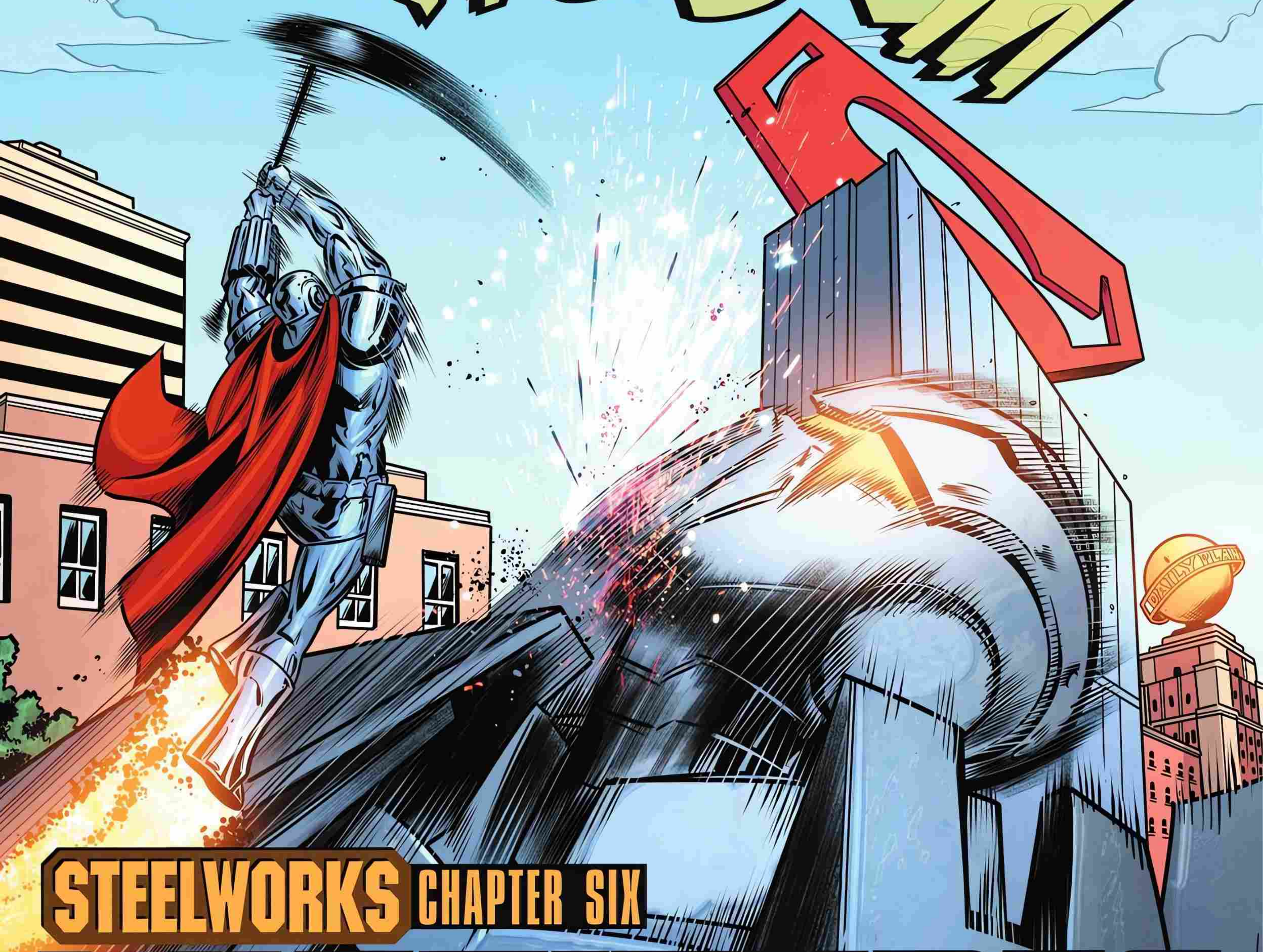


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STEELWORKS CHAPTER SIX

MULTITUDES

Years ago, John Henry Irons—a.k.a. STEEL—left the nefarious Amertek Corporation to forge his own path. Alongside his fellow super friends, John founded STEELWORKS to help build a better tomorrow for Metropolis. Now a ghost from John's past seeks to burn it all to the ground...

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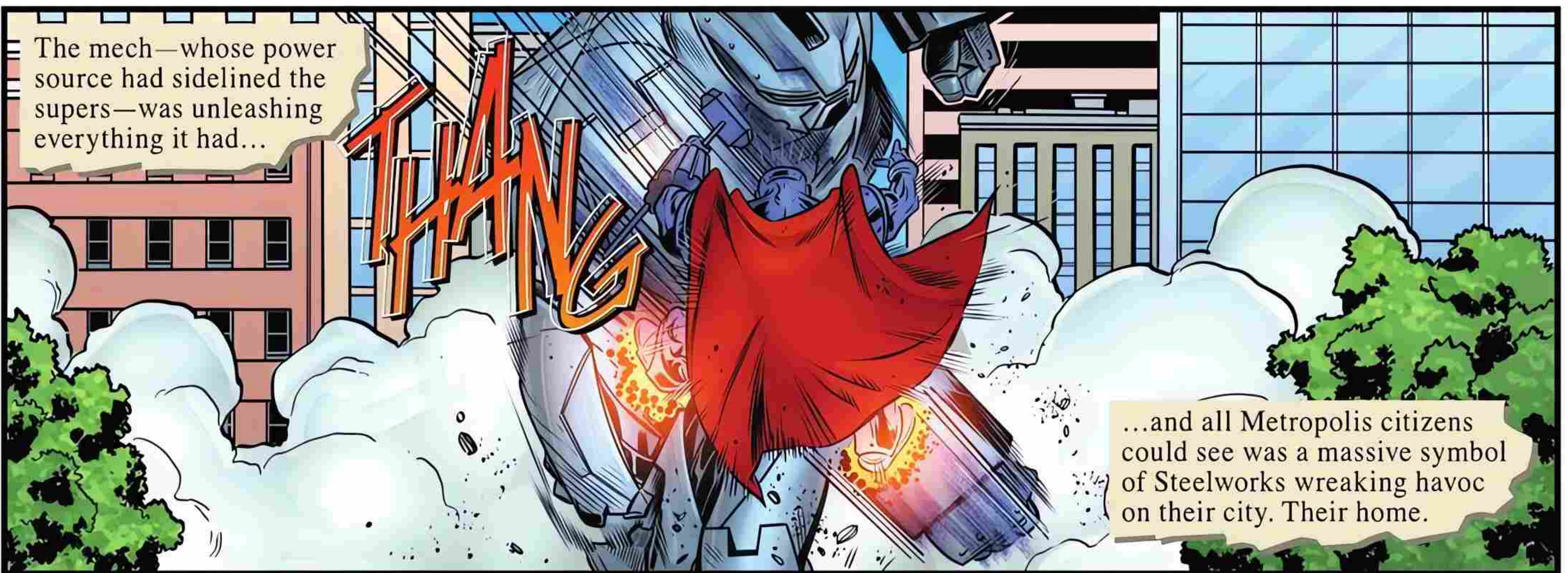
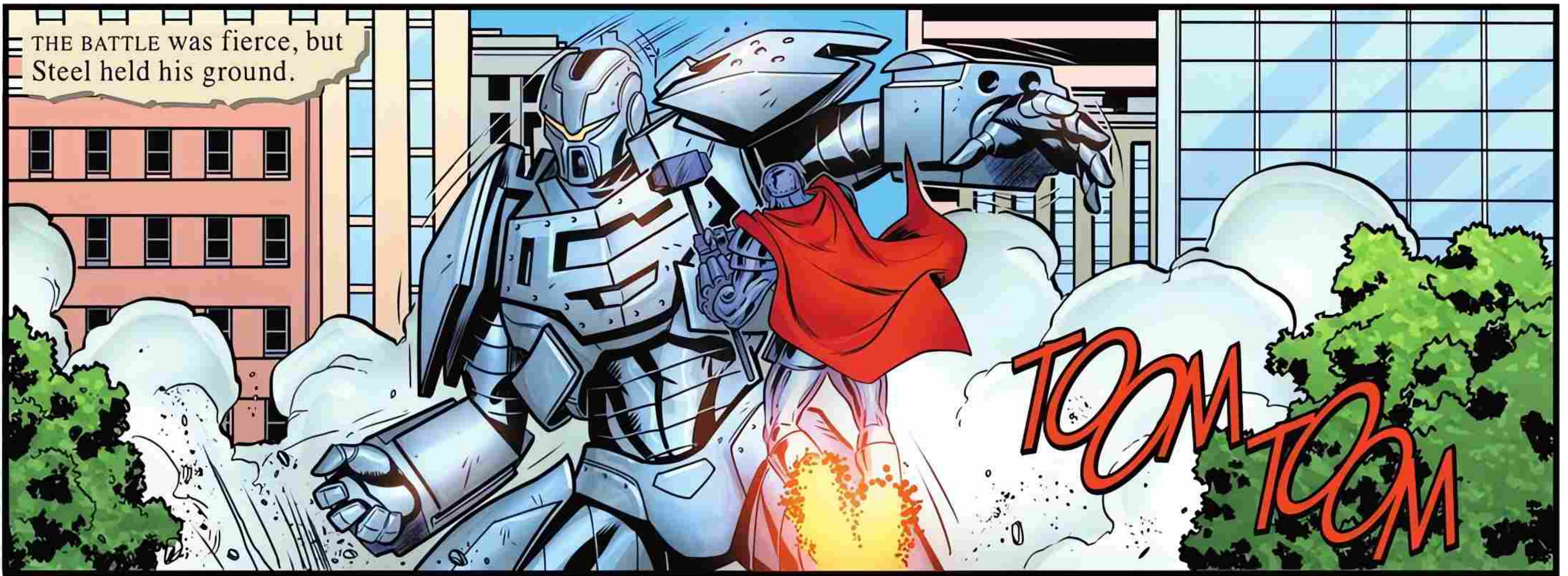
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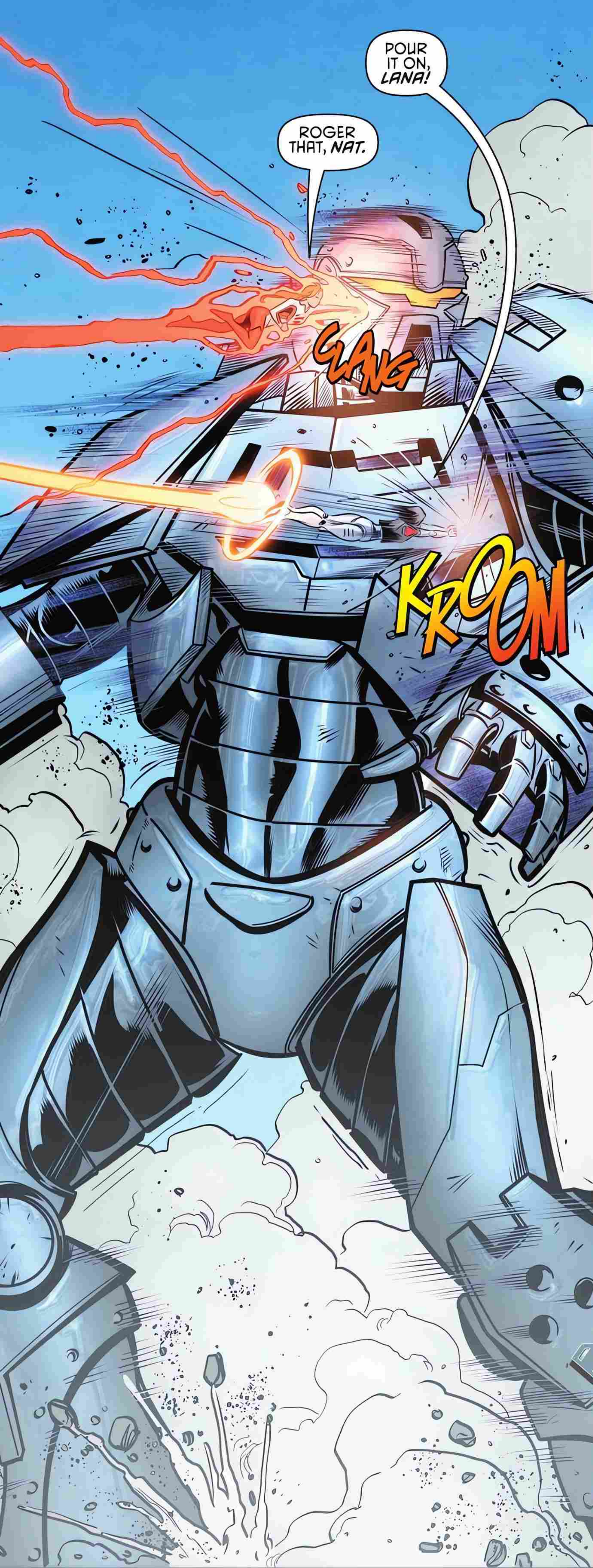
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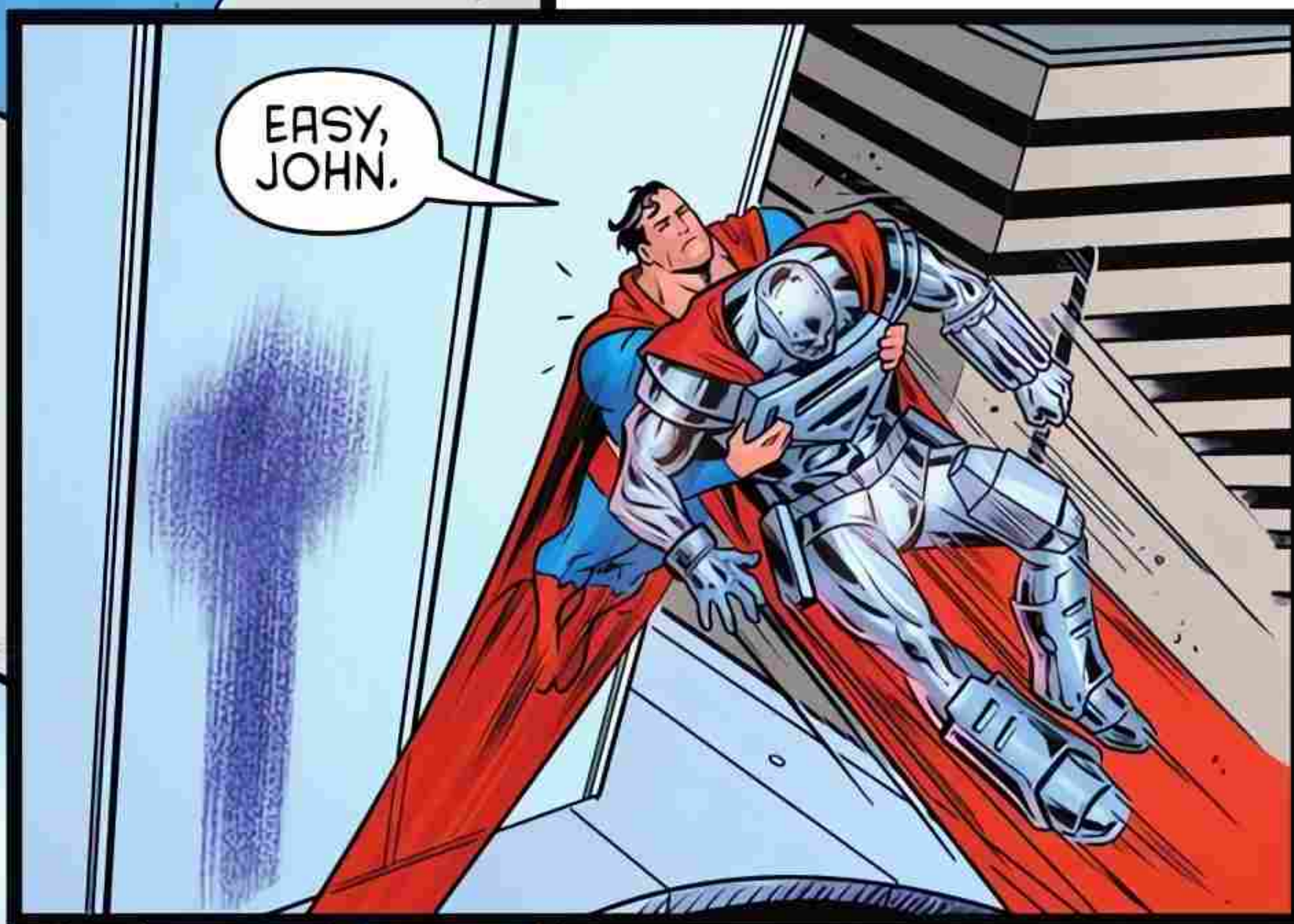


POUR IT ON, LANA!

ROGER THAT, NAT.

GLANG

KROOM

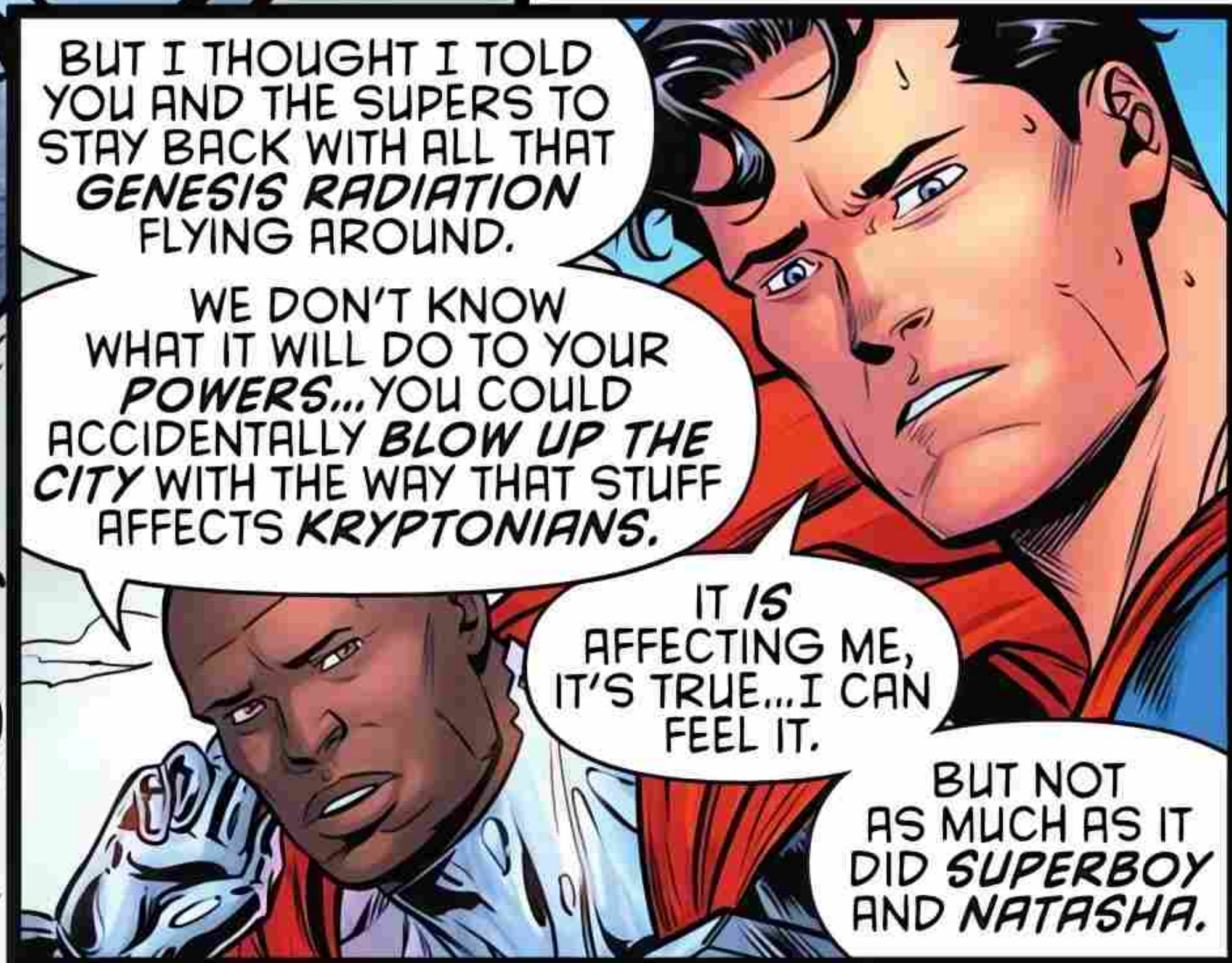


EASY, JOHN.



OOFF

TH-THANKS FOR THE SAVE, SUPERMAN... THAT THING PACKS A PUNCH.



BUT I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU AND THE SUPERS TO STAY BACK WITH ALL THAT **GENESIS RADIATION** FLYING AROUND.

WE DON'T KNOW WHAT IT WILL DO TO YOUR **POWERS**... YOU COULD ACCIDENTALLY **BLOW UP THE CITY** WITH THE WAY THAT STUFF AFFECTS **KRYPTONIANS**.

IT IS AFFECTING ME, IT'S TRUE... I CAN FEEL IT.

BUT NOT AS MUCH AS IT DID **SUPERBOY** AND **NATASHA**.



ANY THEORIES?

THE START OF ONE, BUT TOO EARLY TO KNOW FOR SURE.

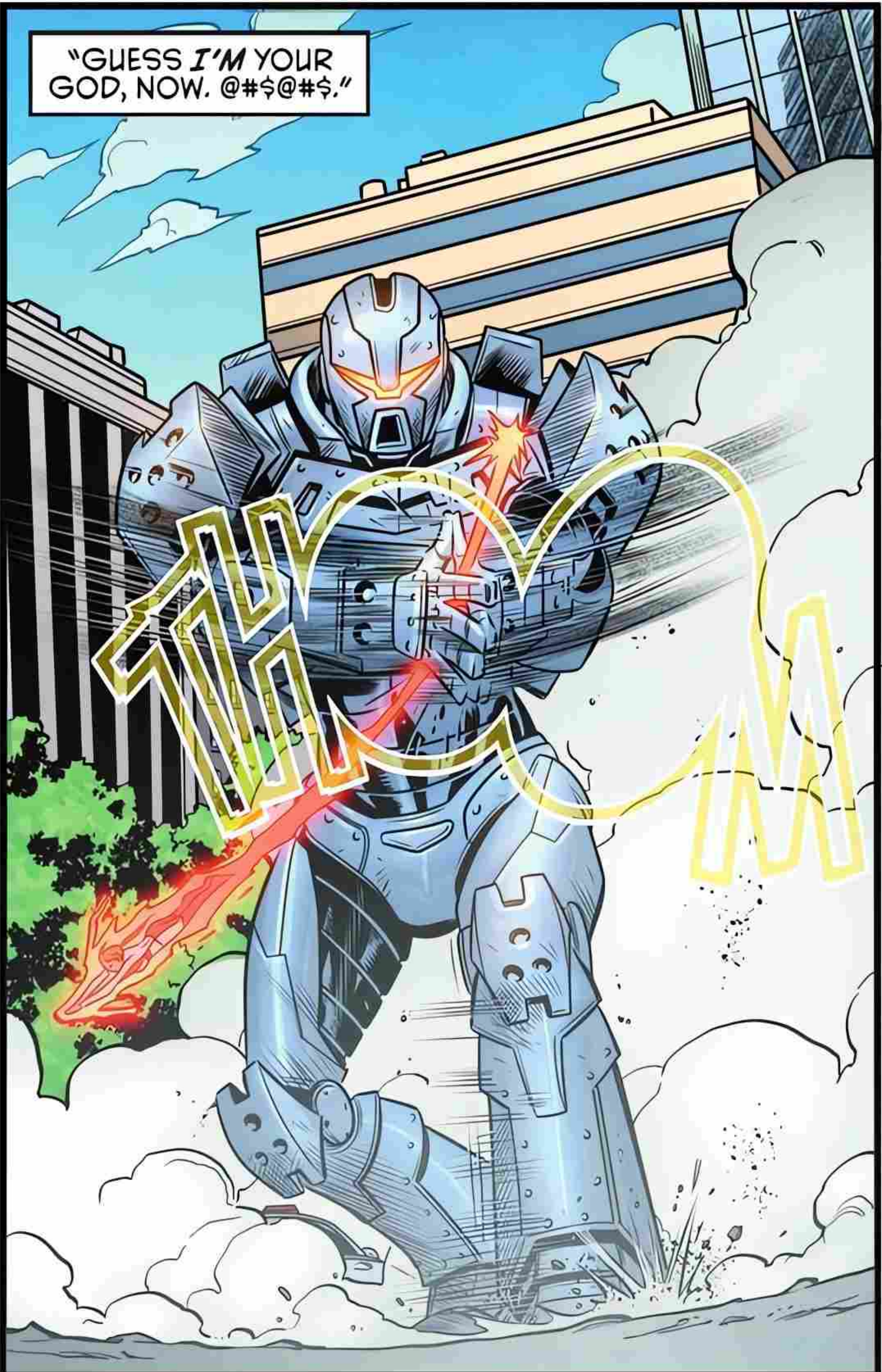
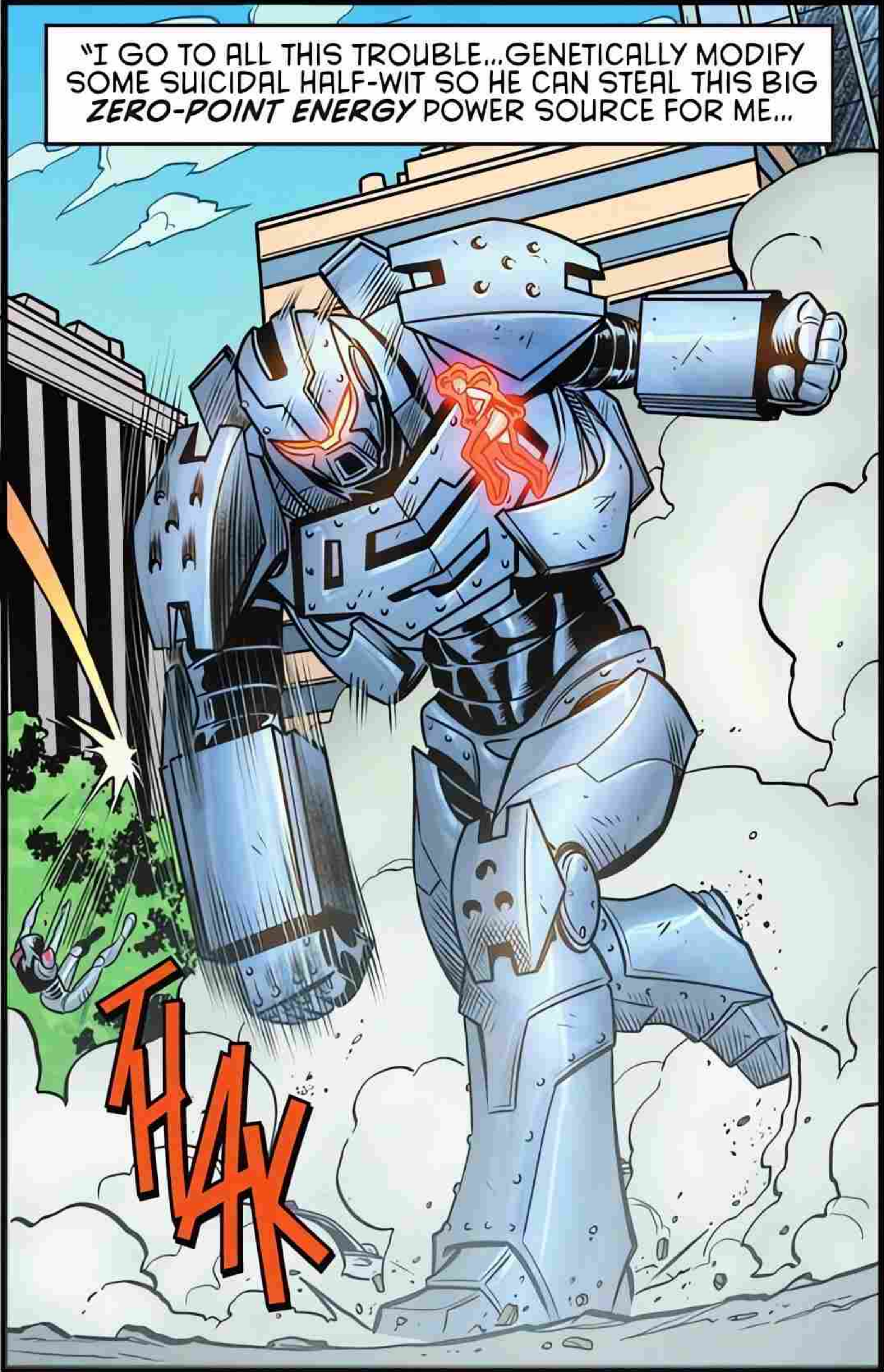
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...WE NEED TO GET CONTROL OF THIS SITUATION...



...AND FAST.

I AM IN TOTAL CONTROL OF THIS SITUATION!

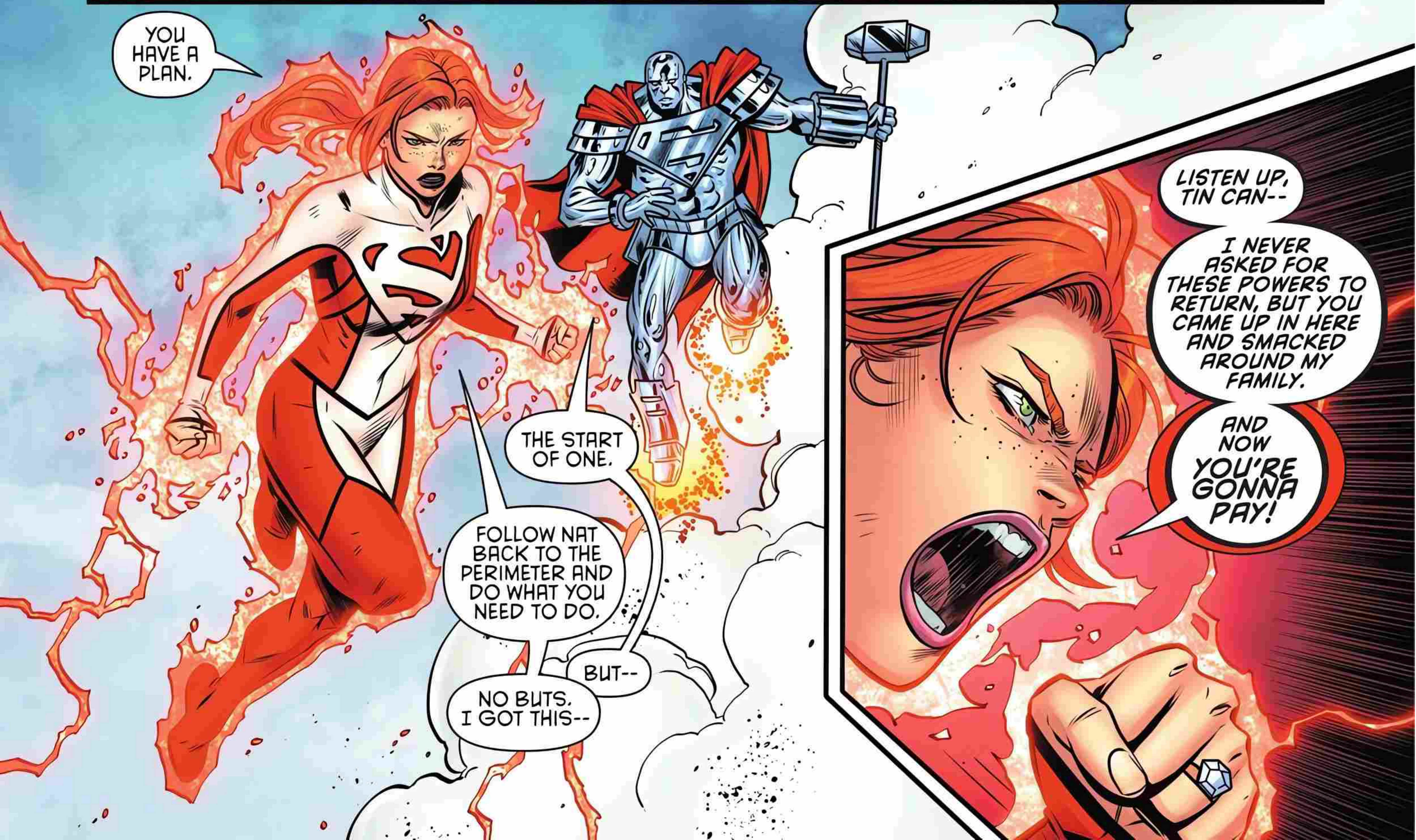
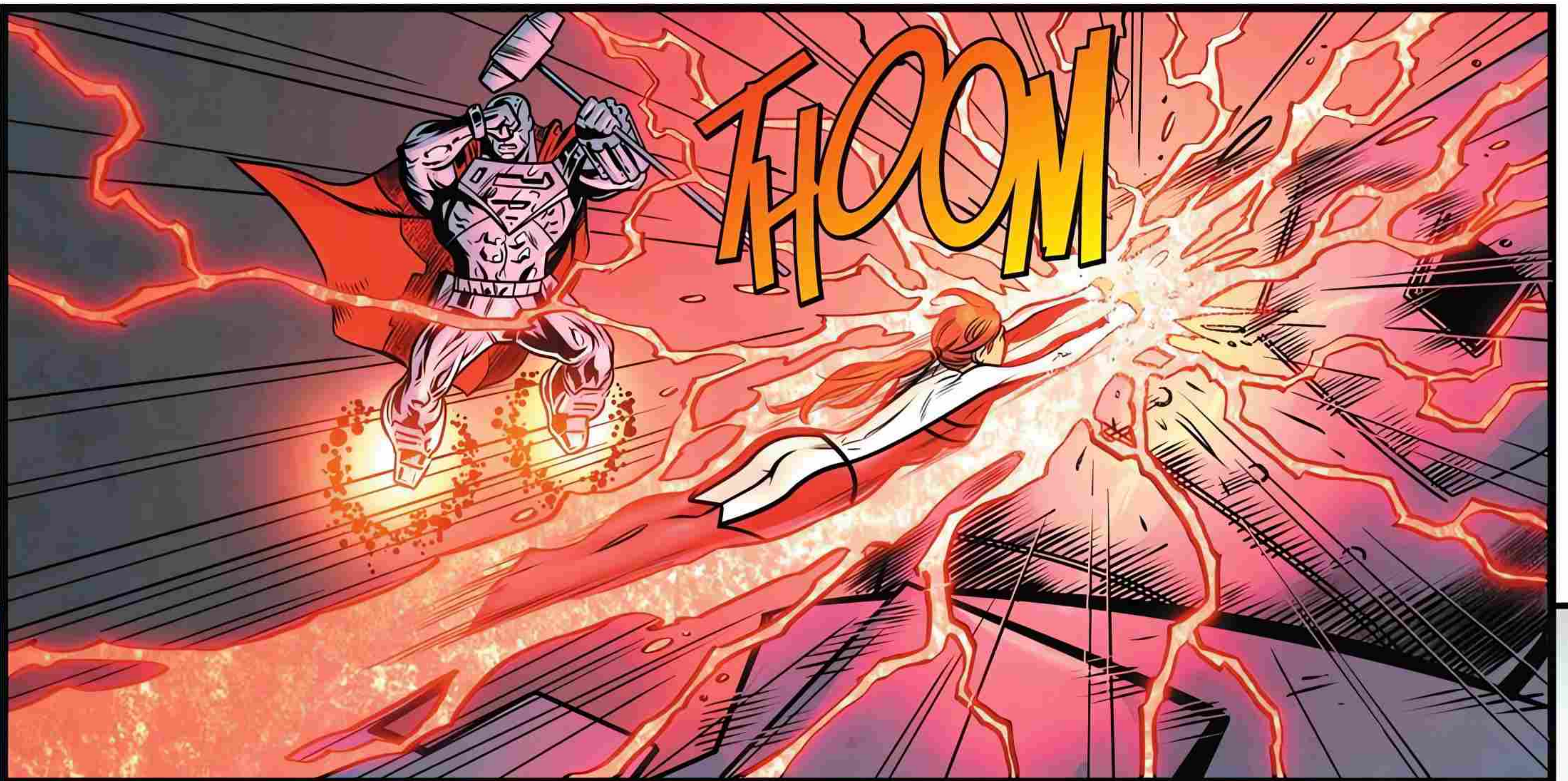
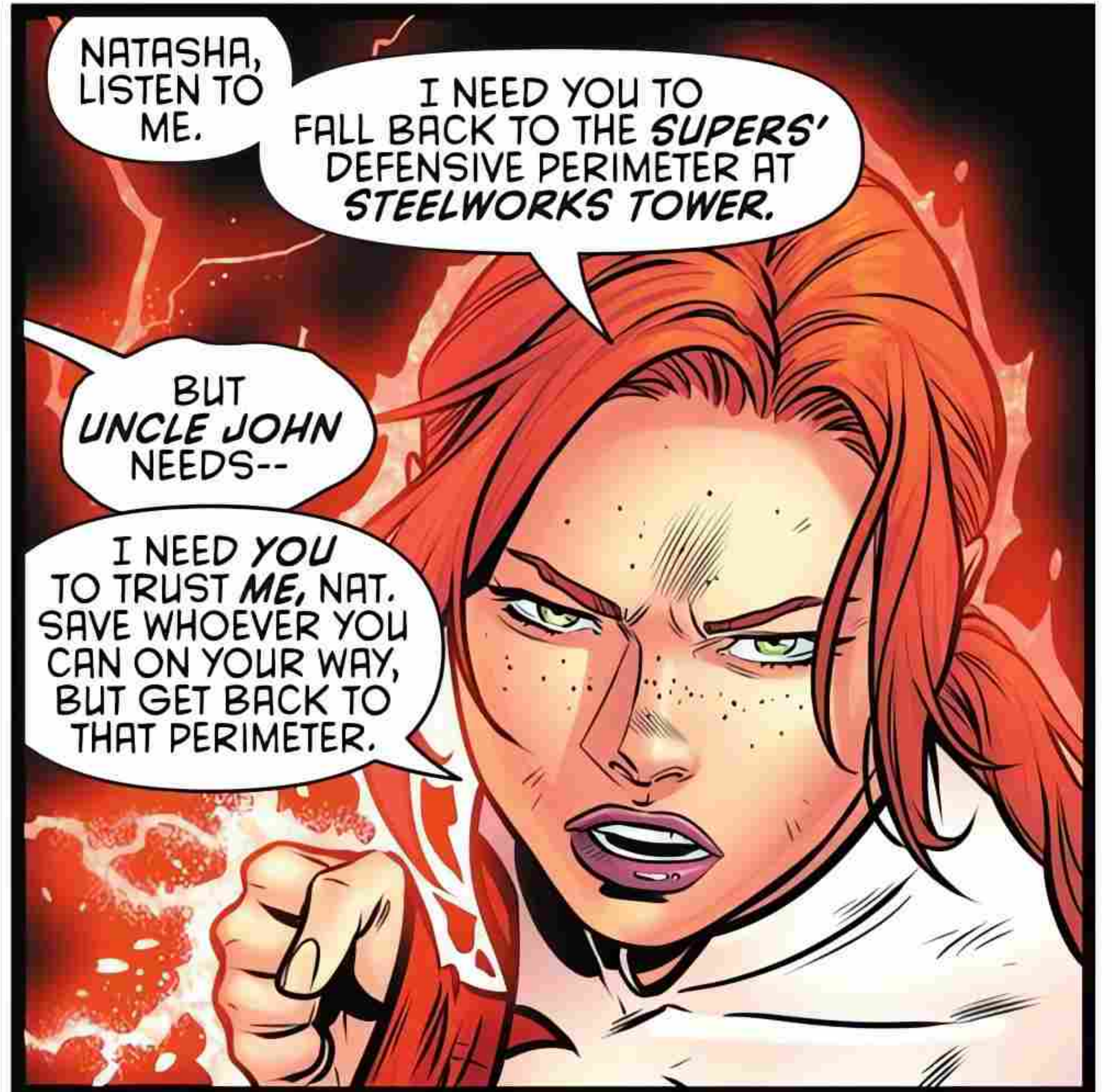


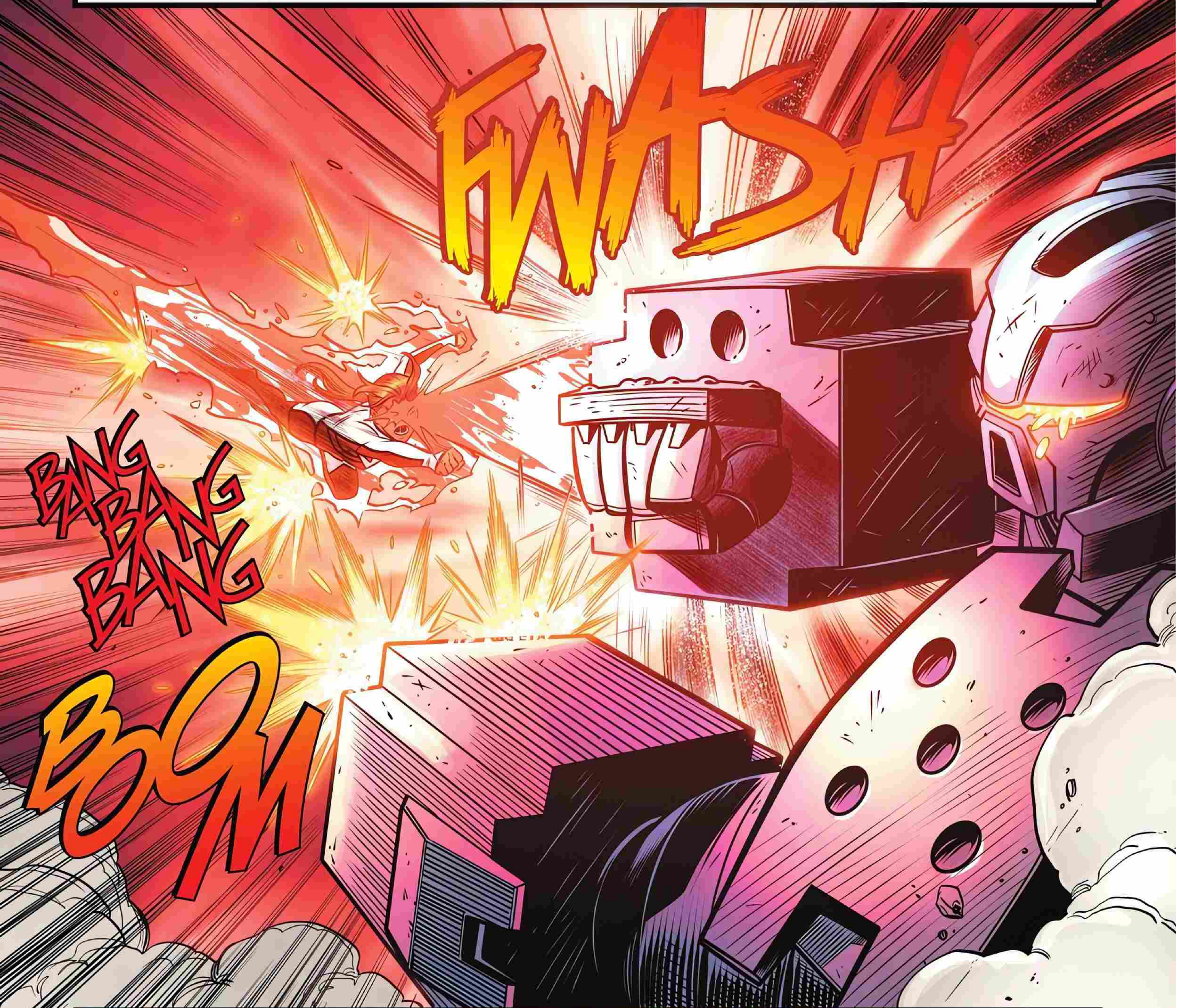


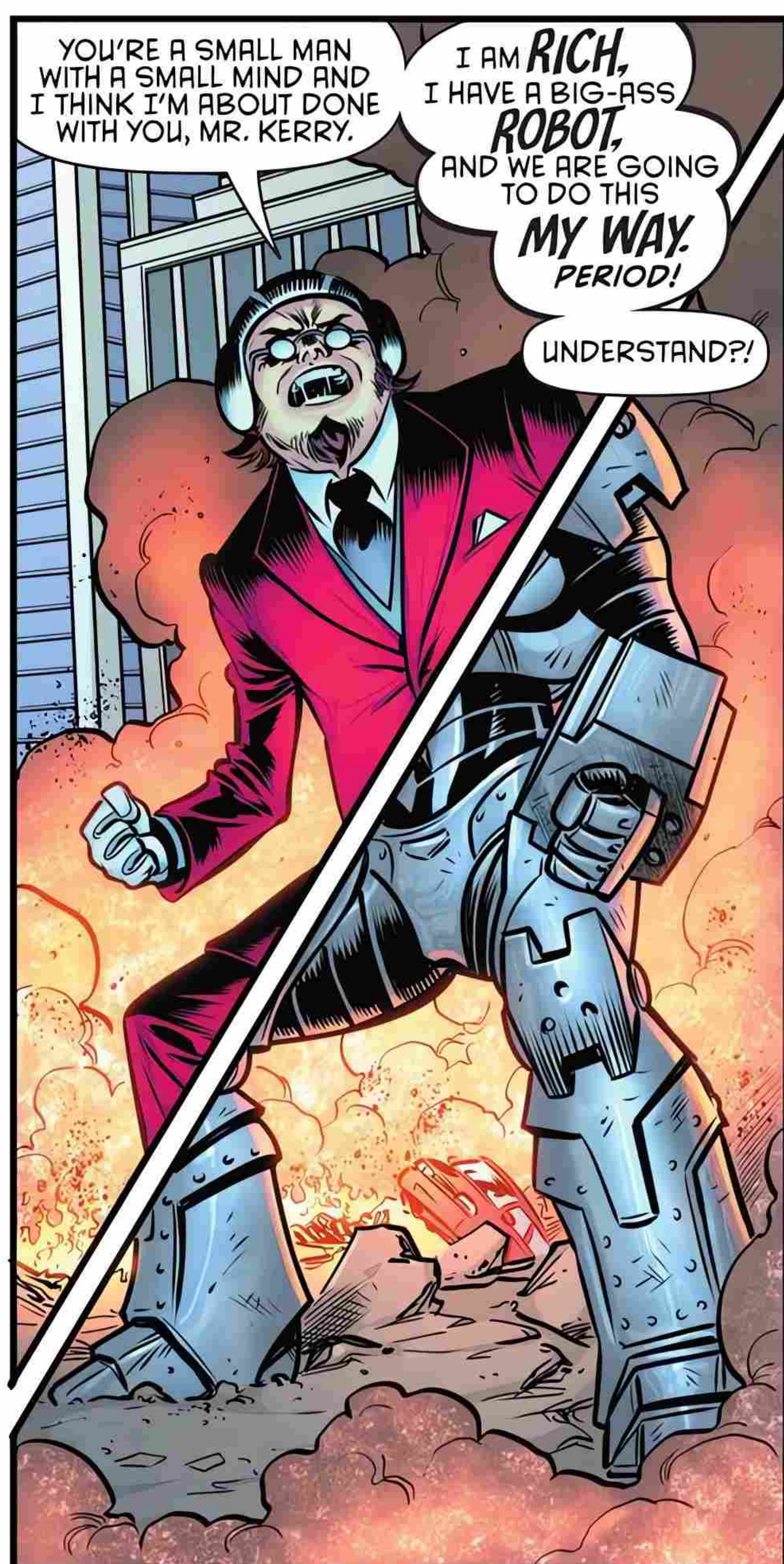
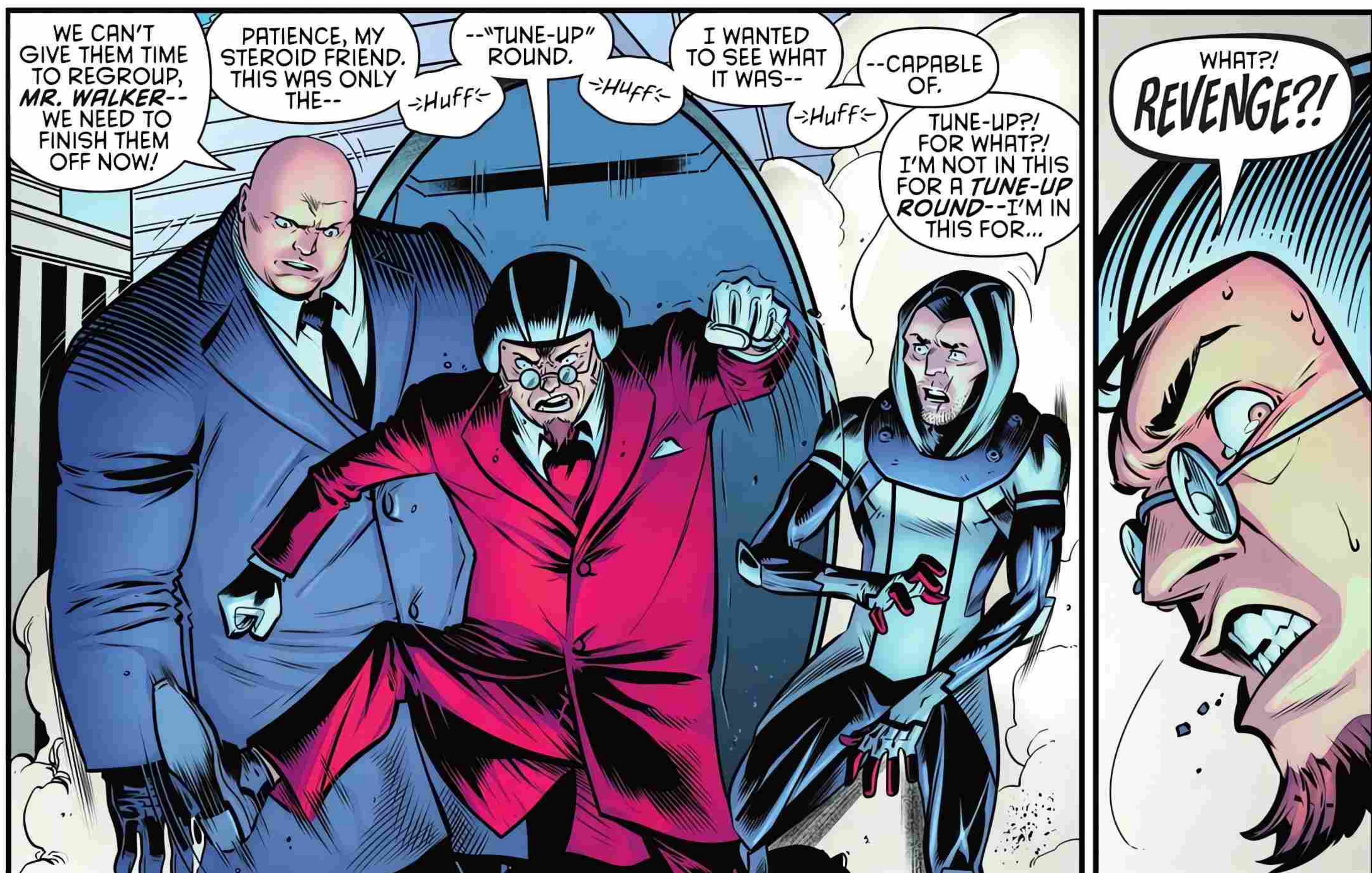
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EVER TOUCH MY
FAMILY AGAIN,
WALKER.

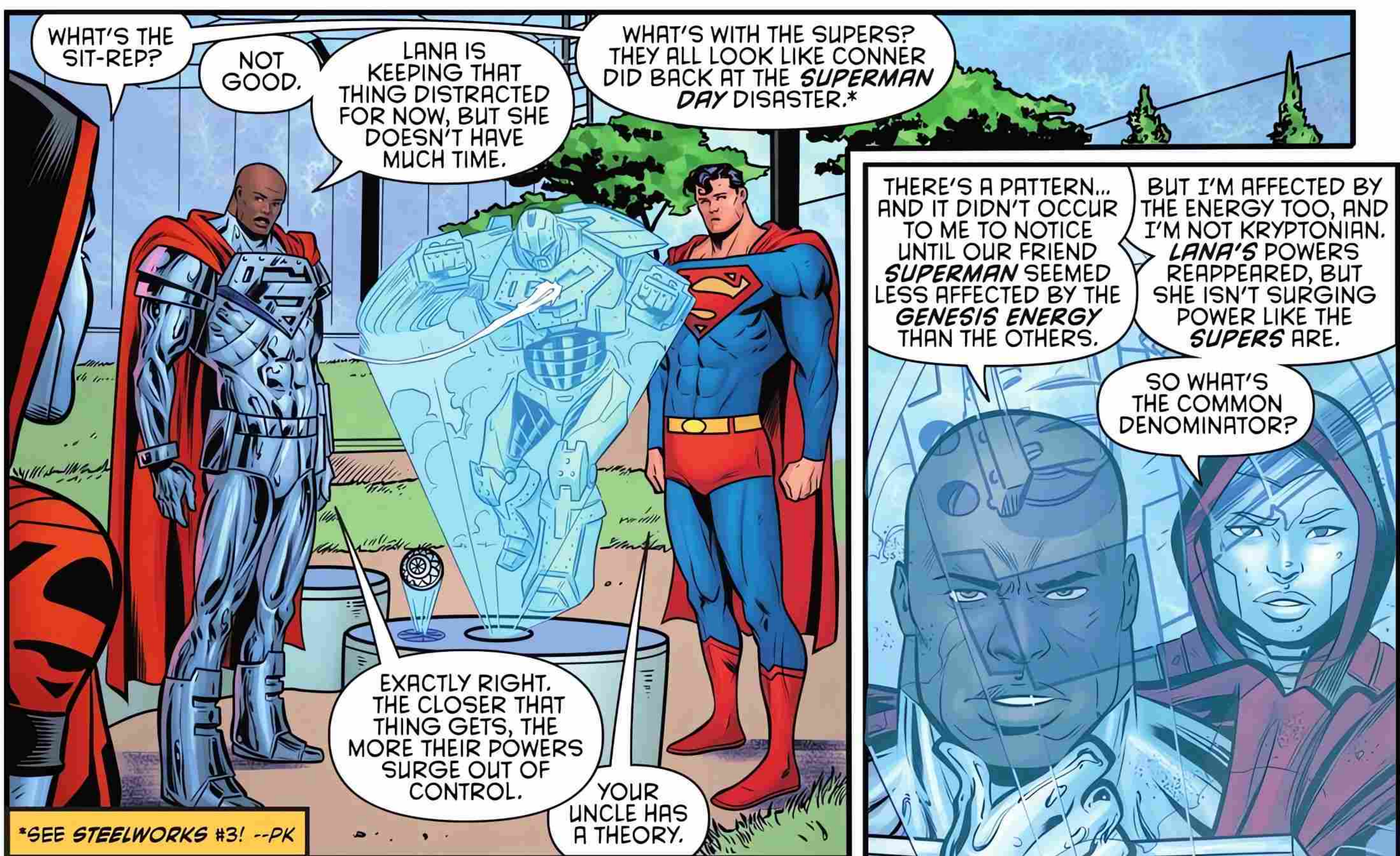
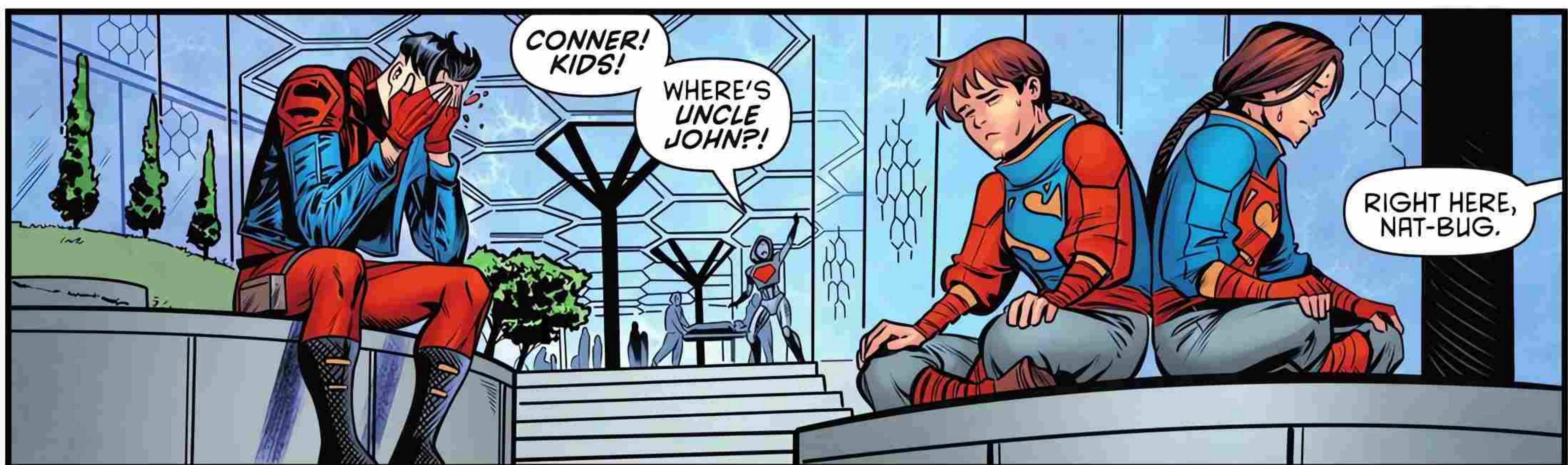
DO YOU
HEAR
ME?!













THEY'RE OLD.



THE **ZERO-POINT** ENERGY...

...THE **GENESIS** FIELD WHICH ORIGINATED FROM OUR HOME ON **WARWORLD**...

IT'S THE MOST POTENT ON YOUNG PEOPLE.



I NEED TO SIT DOWN.

THE **SUPER-TWINS** ARE RIGHT. THE ENERGY REACTS DIFFERENTLY NOT JUST BASED ON OUR PHYSIOLOGY, BUT ON THE RATE OF DECAY IN OUR CELLULAR MAKEUP.

IT'S THE ONLY HYPOTHESIS THAT MAKES SENSE.

"MAKES SENSE."

I WISH THEY WOULD ALL STOP TALKING TOO, NAT.

THE RATE OF DECAY ON A **CLONE** IS NEXT-LEVEL, **SUPERBOY**. YOU'RE ESPECIALLY VULNERABLE.



IT'S TRUE--KARA AND I NEARLY TOOK SOMEONE'S **HEAD OFF** TRYING TO **RESCUE** THEM.

IF WE CAN'T BE TRUSTED WITH OUR OWN POWERS RIGHT NOW, WE'RE OF NO USE AGAINST THAT THING.



WELL, MY UNCLE IS A BRILLIANT SCIENTIST AND HE HAS TECHNOLOGY THAT IS SECOND TO NONE IN METROPOLIS.

THERE MUST BE **SOMETHING** WE CAN DO!



I...I MIGHT BE **SOMETHING**.



YOU!

GO AHEAD, GIVE ME A REASON TO BEAT YOU SENSELESS.

I-I'M NOT HERE TO FIGHT.

I'VE... DONE ENOUGH DAMAGE TODAY.

I REMEMBER YOU. **SHAWN**, RIGHT?

YOU WERE AT **AMERTEK** BACK IN THE DAY... ONE OF THE PEOPLE THAT GOT LET GO WHEN **WALKER** RAN THAT COMPANY INTO THE GROUND.

I HAD **NOTHING...** EVERYTHING WAS **GONE**. I **BLAMED YOU...** I **DIDN'T...** I **DON'T...** I'VE DONE TERRIBLE THINGS.

YOU'RE DAMN RIGHT YOU HAVE, YOU @#%\$@#.

YOUR PHASING ABILITY: HOW DID YOU GET IT?

IT WAS **WALKER**.

HE PROMISED ME REVENGE... DID SOMETHING TO ME. SOMETHING ABOUT THERMOPHASIC EXPERIMENTATION.

HE'S INSANE-- COMPLETELY LOST HIS MIND. GOING TO DESTROY THE WHOLE CITY... JUST SO **HE** CAN BUILD IT BACK UP AGAIN.

HE'S ONLY AFTER **MONEY**. PEOPLE ARE GOING TO **DIE** AND ALL HE WANTS IS **MONEY**.

I WANNA HELP. I WANNA MAKE THINGS RIGHT.



THERMOPHASIC
EXPERIMENT...
THAT'S IT...



UNC?

SHAWN, YOU WILL
PAY FOR YOUR CRIMES.
I BELIEVE YOU KNOW MY
FRIEND SUPERMAN
HERE.

HE'S KIND OF GOT A
THING FOR TRUTH AND
JUSTICE.

BUT...
UNTIL THEN,
I KNOW
HOW YOU
CAN HELP.



NATASHA, GET A MED BAY READY.
TELL THE DOCTORS WE'LL NEED ALL THE
EQUIPMENT THEY CAN SPARE--BUT
THE *CIVILIANS* COME *FIRST*.

I'M GOING
TO GO GET MY
DAMN FIANCEE.



WHAT DO YOU
MEAN HE JUST
"RAN OFF"?



I MEAN *KERRY*
JUST HIGHTAILED
IT. RAN OFF.

HE CAN RUN
THROUGH WALLS,
BOSS.

YOU'RE MY
@#%\$# HEAD OF
SECURITY! WHAT
THE @#%\$#!

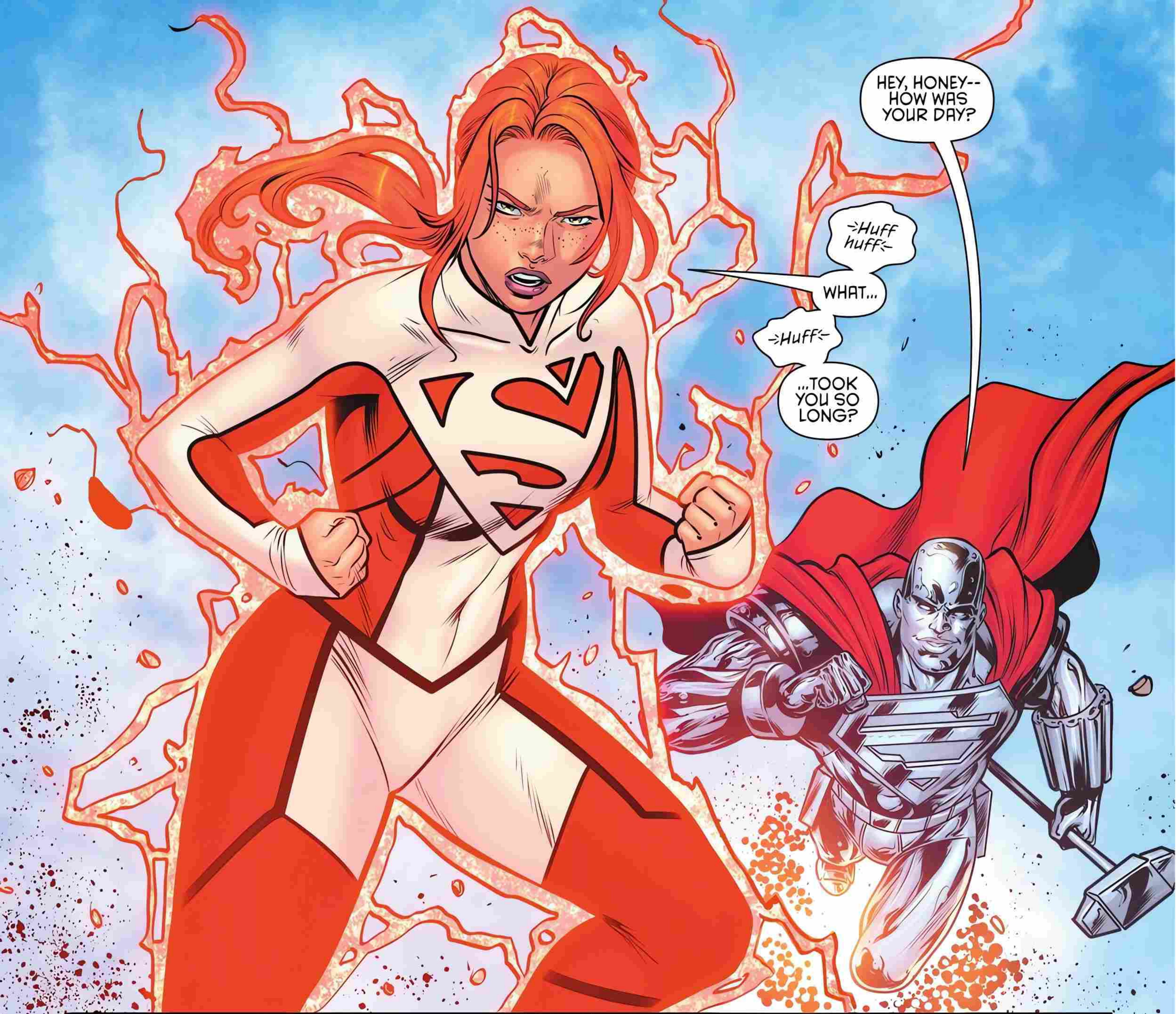
GOD,
AFTER ALL THIS,
YOU ARE SO
FIRED.

WHAT WAS
THAT?

JUST
SHUT UP AND
FIND HIM.



Um.
SIR?



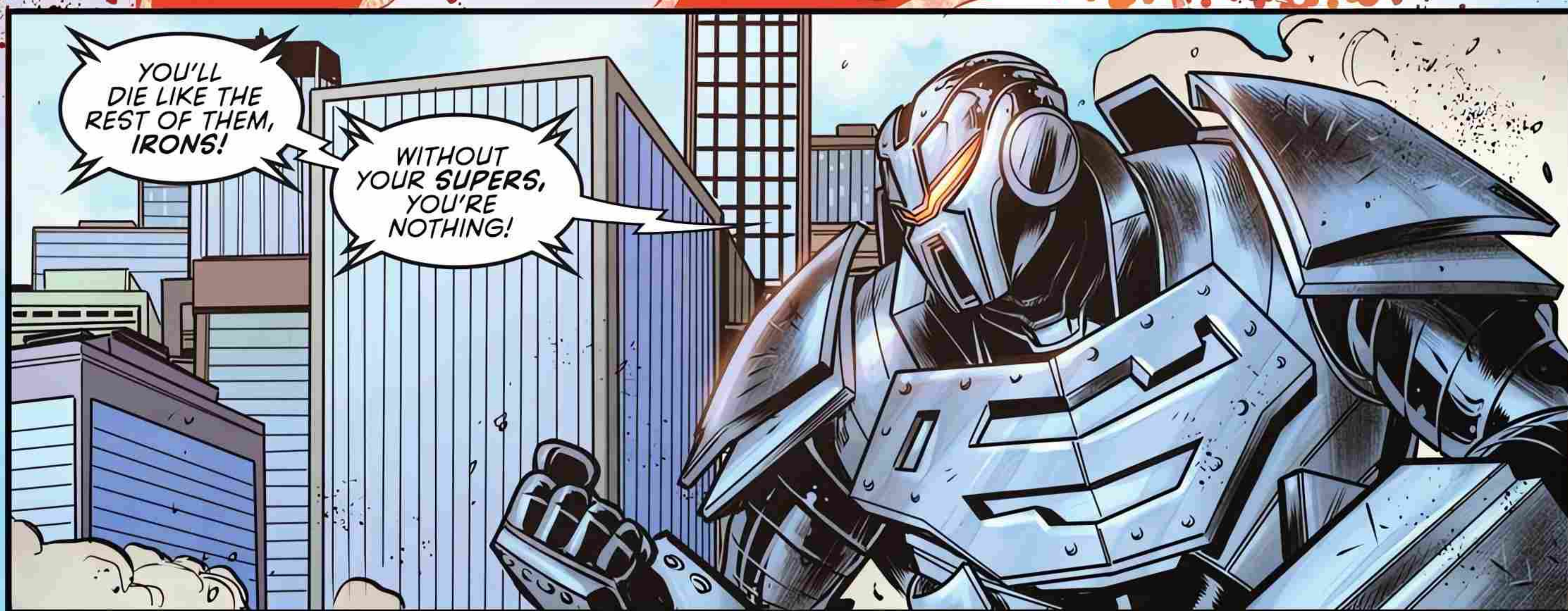
HEY, HONEY--
HOW WAS
YOUR DAY?

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WHAT...

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...TOOK
YOU SO
LONG?

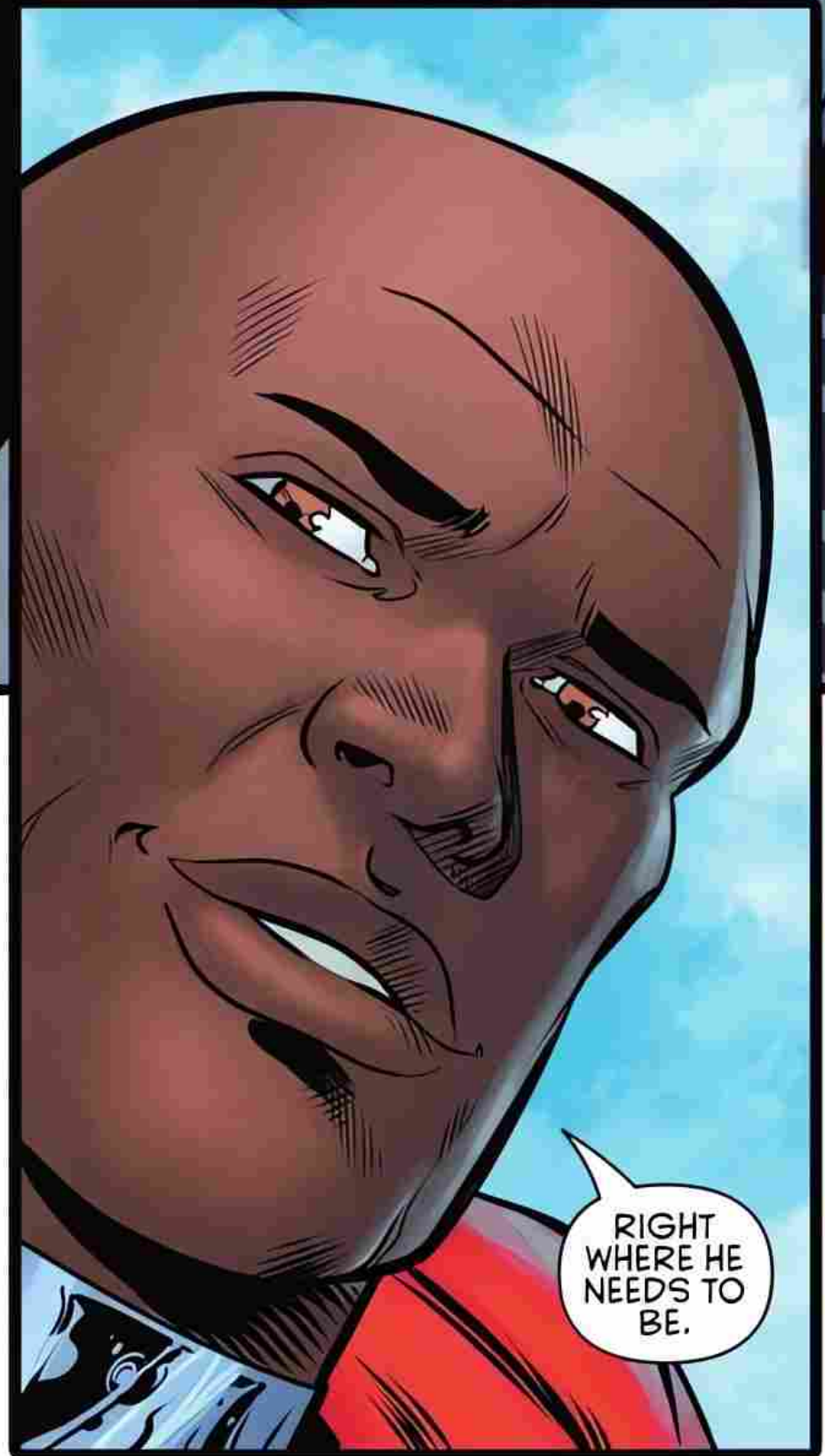
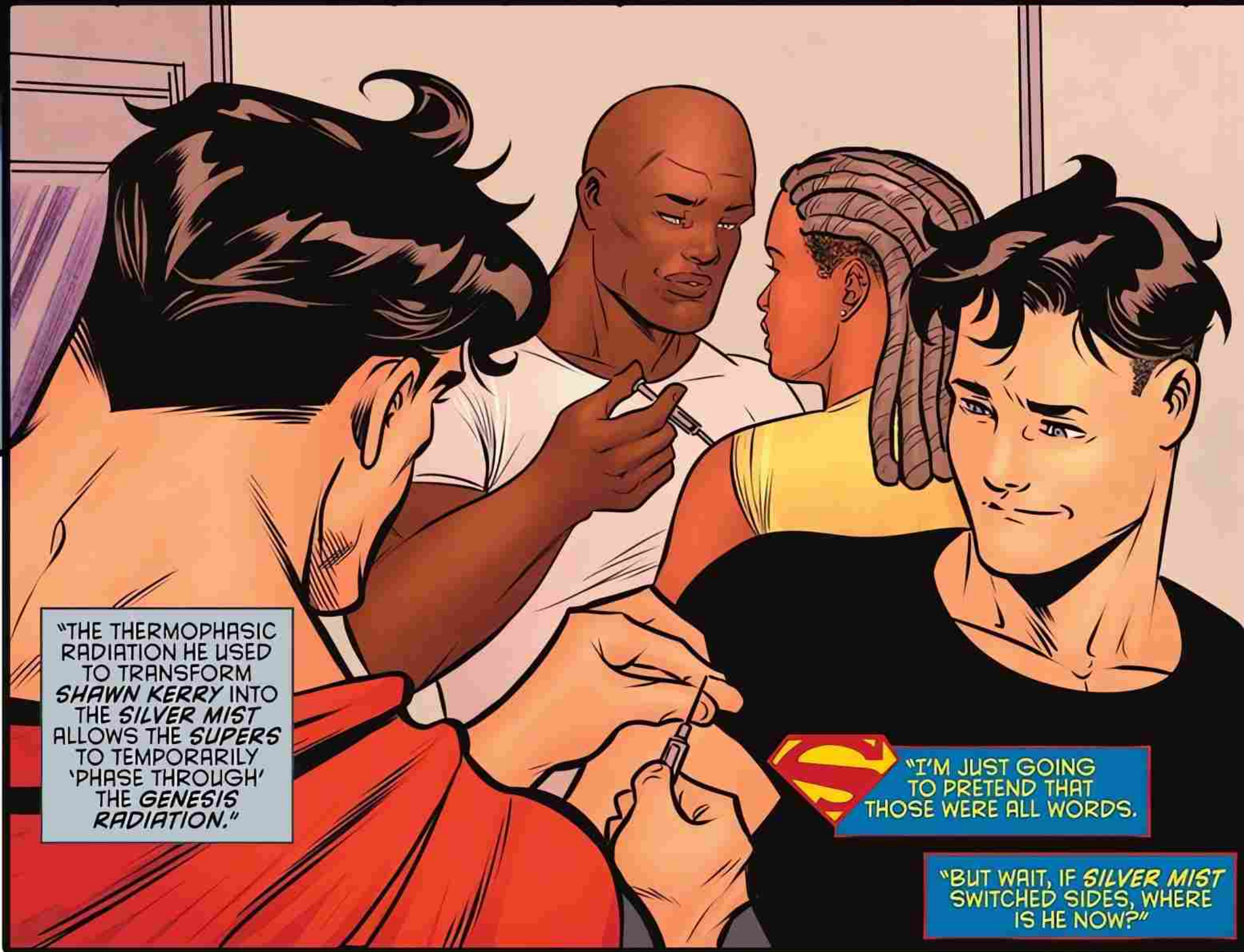


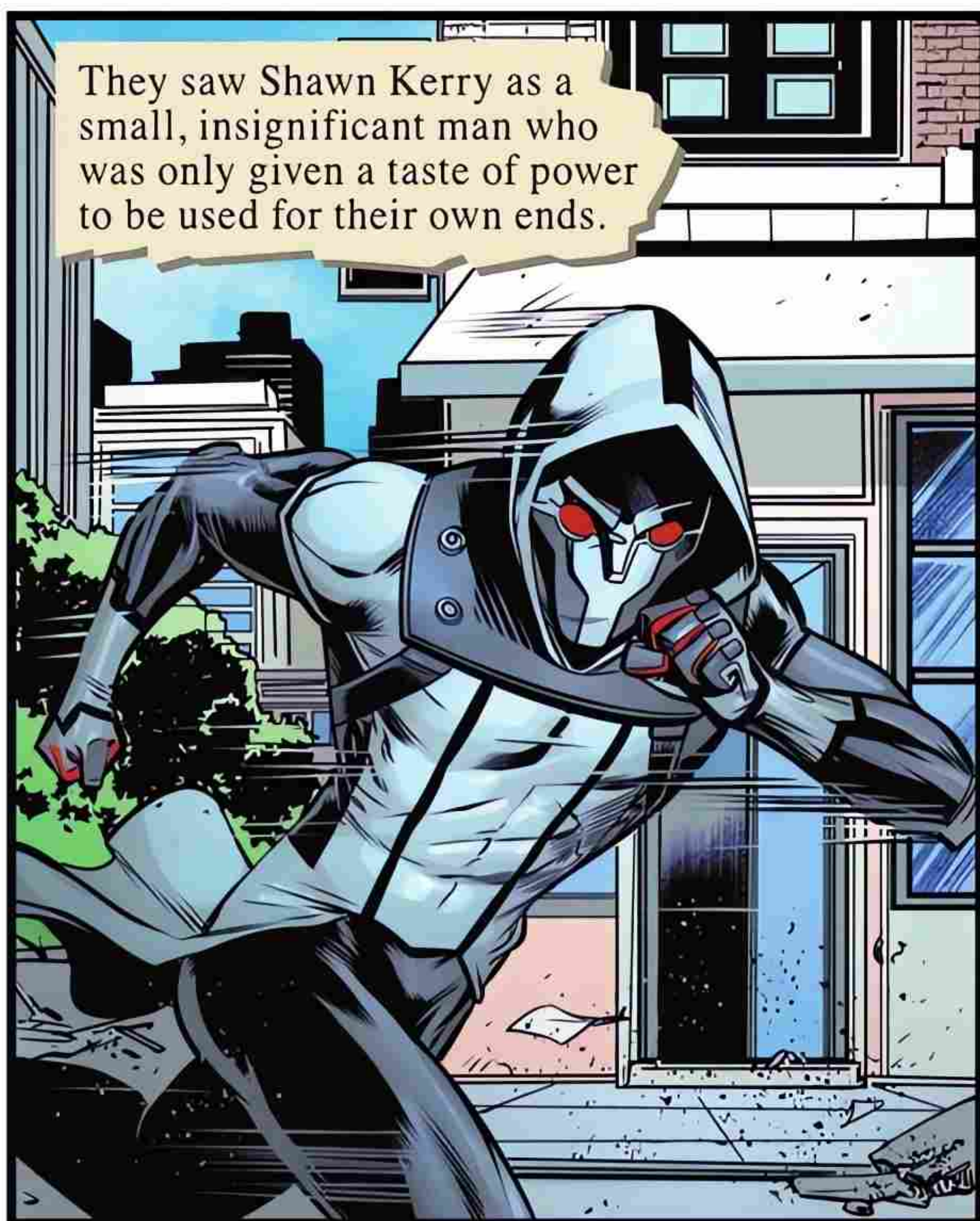
YOU'LL
DIE LIKE THE
REST OF THEM,
IRONS!

WITHOUT
YOUR SUPERS,
YOU'RE
NOTHING!



ABOUT
THAT...





They saw Shawn Kerry as a small, insignificant man who was only given a taste of power to be used for their own ends.



KERRY?!

But like so many powerful people who look upon others as their personal playthings — they were wrong.

People are capable of making good choices in spite of overwhelming reason not to.

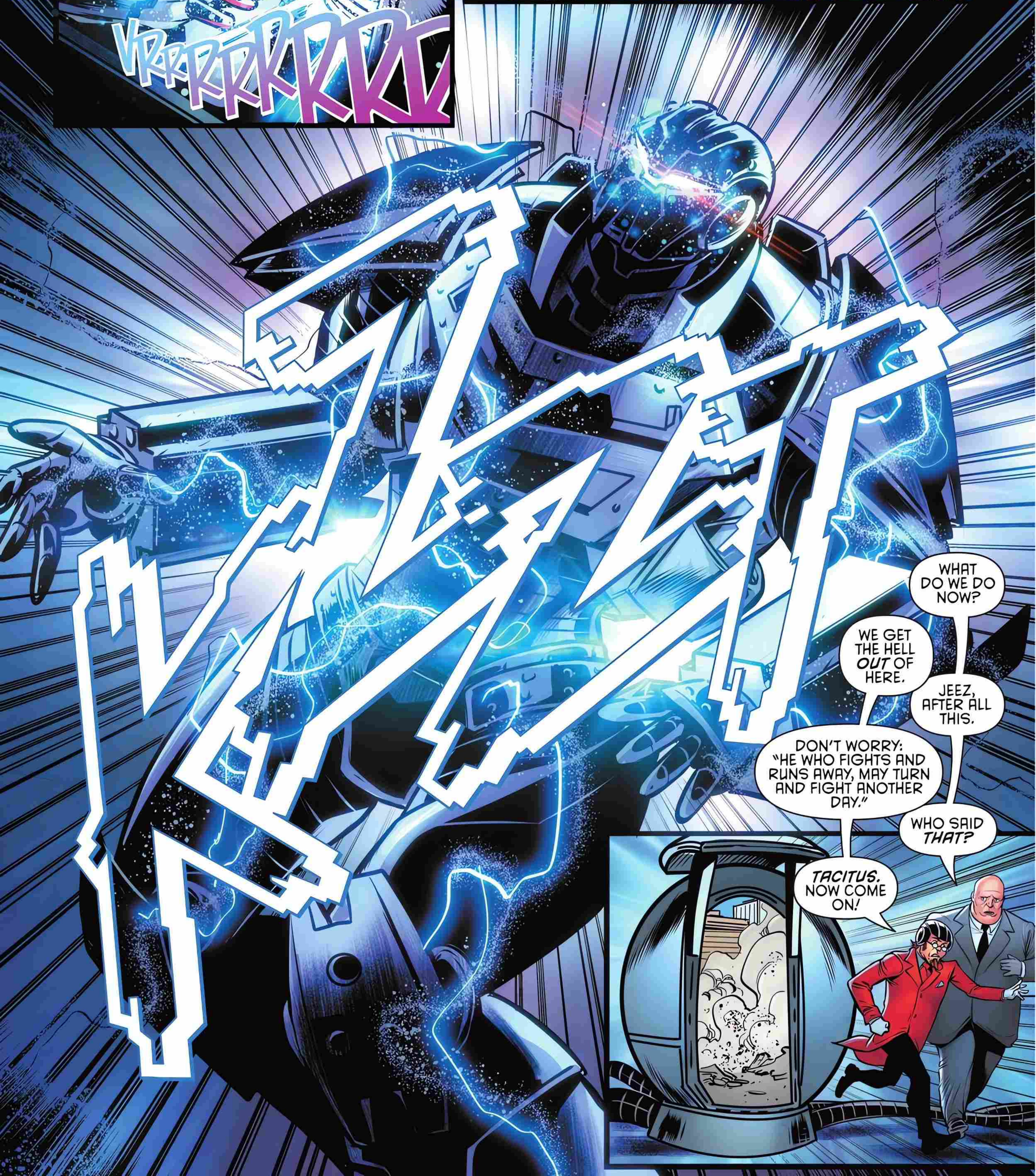


SURPRISE.

FWUMP

And maybe that's the point of heroes. To remind us that we can be better than our worst impulses.

That when things feel hopeless, we can rise above.



WHAT DO WE DO NOW?

WE GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE.

JEEZ, AFTER ALL THIS.

DON'T WORRY: "HE WHO FIGHTS AND RUNS AWAY, MAY TURN AND FIGHT ANOTHER DAY."

WHO SAID THAT?

TACITUS. NOW COME ON!



Charles Walker III tried to use people's fears to bend the future of Metropolis to his whims. And he nearly succeeded...



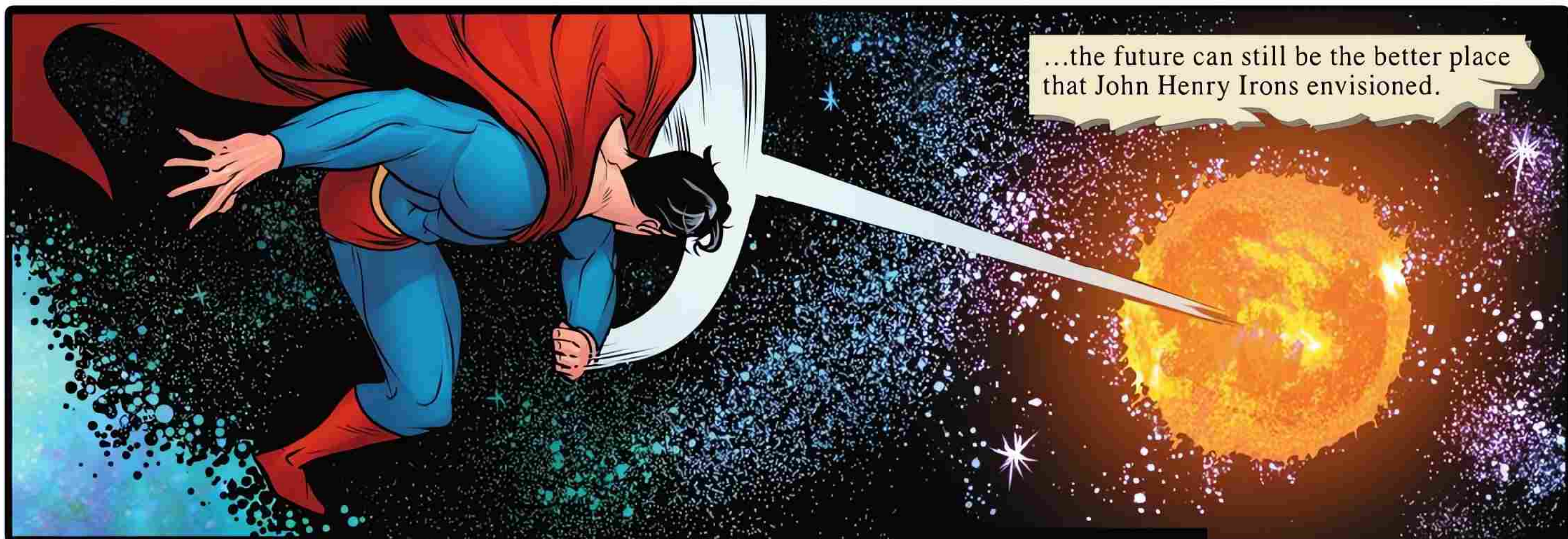
...but he didn't.



...and despite the inevitable setbacks...

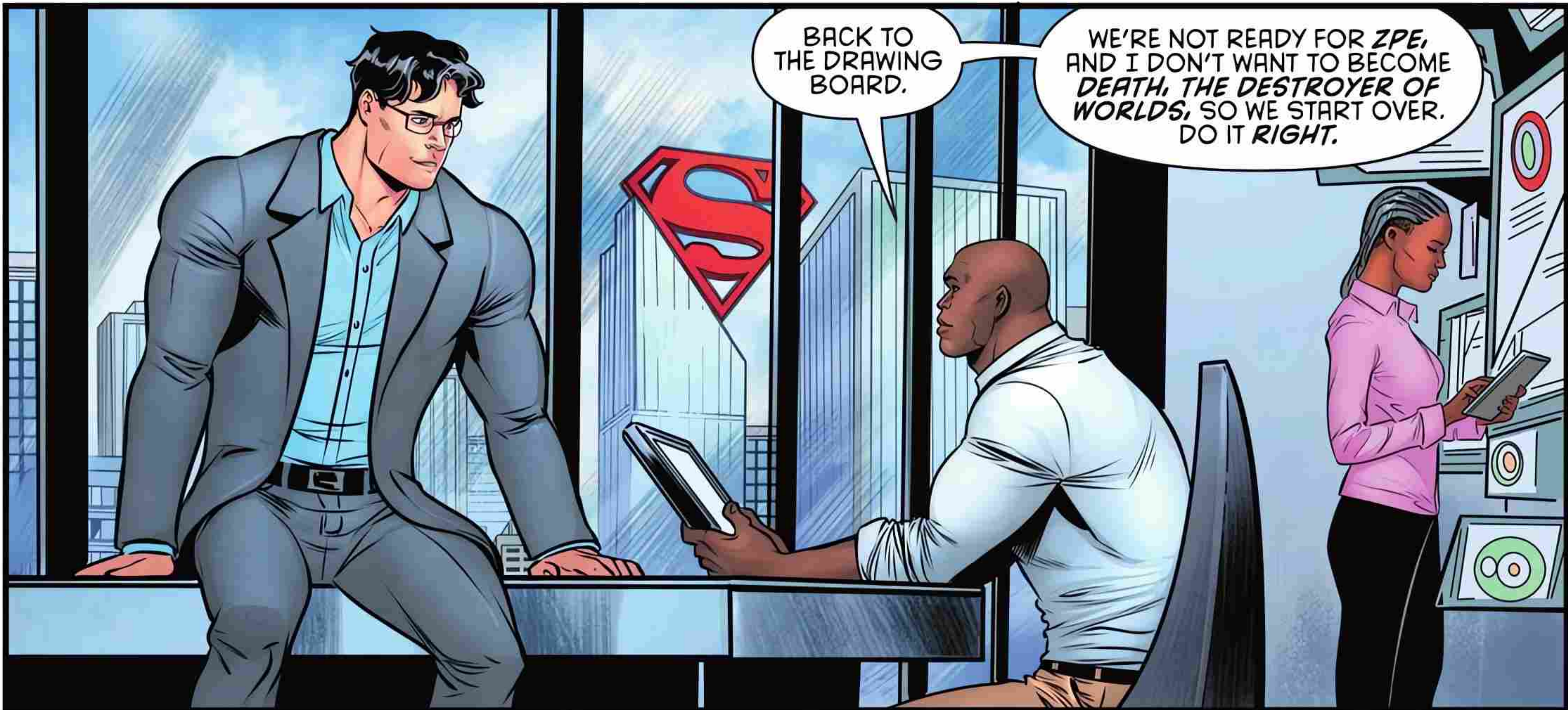
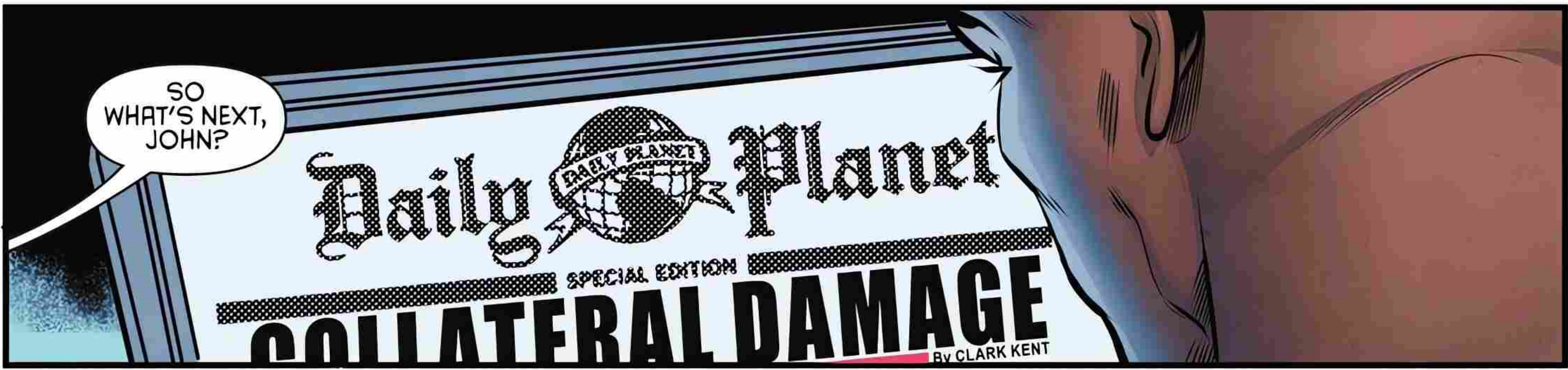


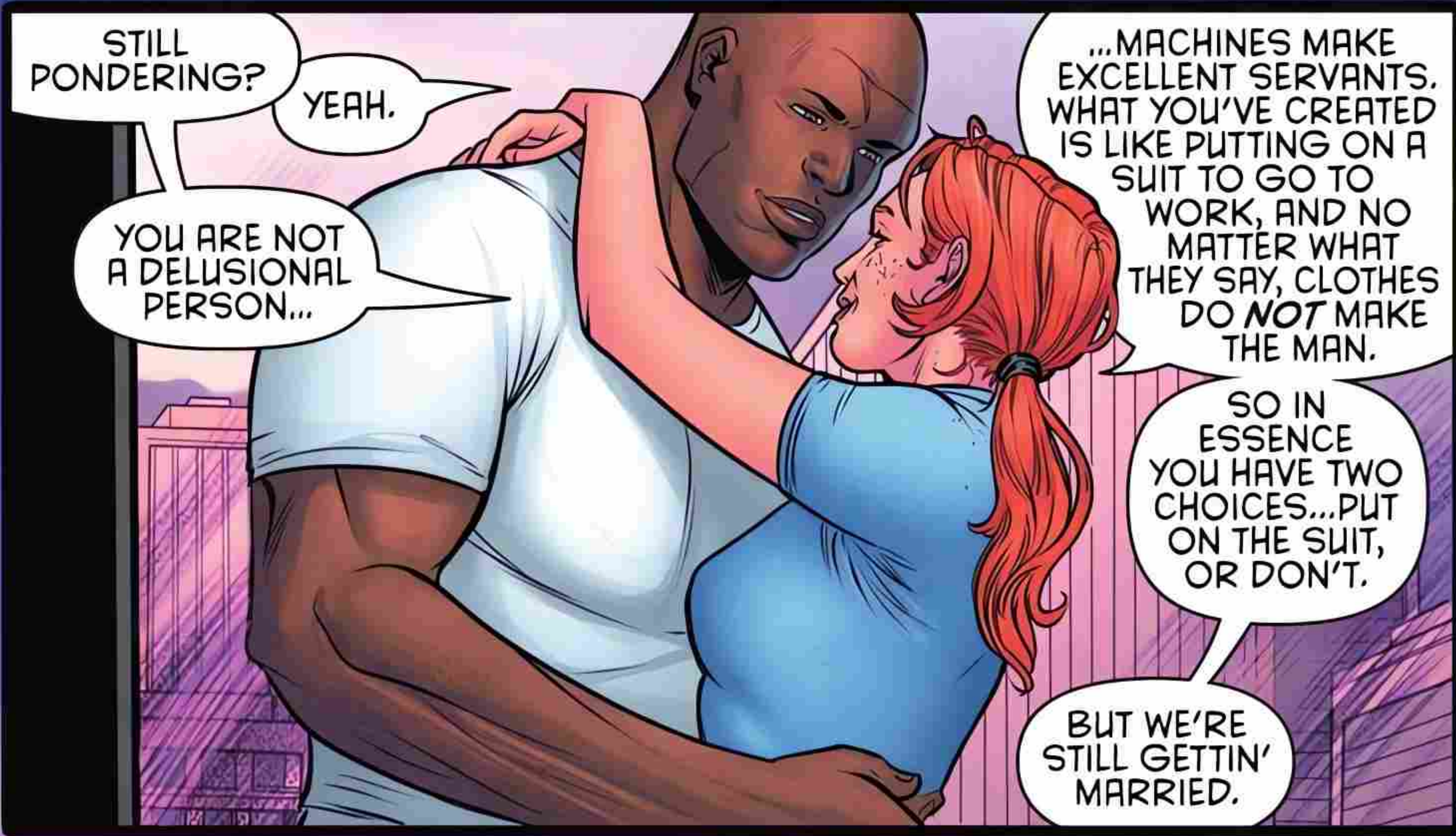
...the future can still be the better place that John Henry Irons envisioned.



With justice for those who would do it harm.







"WHATEVER MAKES YOU HAPPY, LANA."

"NOW WHO'S INTELLIGENT?"

THE END

STEEL'S ADVENTURES in STEELWORKS and beyond CONTINUE in ACTION COMICS and GREEN LANTERN: WAR JOURNAL!



KEITH GIFFEN

1952 - 2023

KEITH GIFFEN WAS ONE OF THE MOST BRILLIANTLY CREATIVE HUMANS EVER TO WORK IN COMICS, THE JACK KIRBY OF MY GENERATION OF CREATORS. HE WAS A CURMUDGEON WITH A HEART OF GOLD. AN OLD, DEAR FRIEND. AND, AS MY WIFE OBSERVED, "HE WAS LIKE A CHARACTER OUT OF A KEITH GIFFEN STORY." SAFE TRAVELS, KEITH. YOU WILL BE MISSED.

—J.M. DeMATTEIS

KEITH WAS A CREATIVE FORCE OF NATURE, GIFTED WITH THE ABILITY TO BOLDLY AND ENDLESSLY PULL HIS CREATIONS FROM A BLANK PAGE AS WE WATCHED IN AMAZEMENT. HE EFFORTLESSLY CONJURED STORIES FROM SOME MYSTICAL PLACE, WITH RAZOR-SHARP WIT THAT WOULD HAVE YOU SMILING ONE MOMENT AND SOCK YOU IN THE GUT THE NEXT. KEITH, WE HOLD YOU IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER.

—HOWARD PORTER

KEITH GIFFEN'S BRILLIANCE AS BOTH WRITER AND ARTIST IS EXEMPLIFIED BY THE INCREDIBLE BREADTH OF HIS WORK OVER MORE THAN 45 YEARS. THAT CREATIVE ENERGY, ALONG WITH HIS ABILITY TO MOVE THROUGH A CASCADE OF IDEAS THAT DIDN'T WORK UNTIL HE FOUND ONE THAT DID, WAS PRIZED BY EVERYONE WHO COLLABORATED WITH HIM.

—DAN JURGENS

I ASKED KEITH ONCE, "WHAT'S THE SECRET TO YOUR CAREER LONGEVITY?" HE SAID, "FIGURE OUT WHAT YOU DO BETTER THAN ANYONE ELSE AND OWN THAT LANE. WHEN PUBLISHERS WANT IT, THEY'LL HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO COME TO YOU." THE THING IS, KEITH DIDN'T OWN A LANE. HE OWNED THE WHOLE HIGHWAY. I MISS YOU, MY FRIEND.

—MARK WAID

KEITH HAD THE MOST FERTILE AND IMAGINATIVE MIND IN COMICS IN MY GENERATION. IT WAS A DELIGHT TO BUILD OUT THE FUTURE OF THE DC UNIVERSE WITH HIM.

—PAUL LEVITZ

I OWE MUCH OF WHAT I HAVE TODAY TO KEITH. WE'VE BEEN FRIENDS EVER SINCE I WAS THAT HIGH SCHOOL GIRL DRAWING LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES ART IN FANZINES. HE CALLED ME THE "LITTLE SISTER I NEVER WANTED." BUT IF I HAD WANTED ANOTHER BROTHER, KEITH WOULD HAVE BEEN EVERYTHING I WOULD HAVE ASKED FOR.

—COLLEEN DORAN

HAVING A HARD TIME FINDING THE RIGHT WORDS. ALL I KNOW IS THAT KEITH WOULD BE ANNOYED BY THIS WHOLE THING, BUT IF ANYONE TRULY DESERVED PRAISE AND APPRECIATION FROM THE COMICS INDUSTRY, IT WOULD BE KEITH. I GUESS IT'S A GOOD THING HE'S NOT HERE TO SEE IT.

—DAN DIDIO

KEITH WAS A MASTER STORYTELLER, FULL OF GOOD IDEAS, AND WHEN HE KNEW HE WAS RIGHT HE WOULD FIGHT THE BATTLE UNTIL THE END. THERE ARE NO MORE BATTLES TO FIGHT, MY FRIEND.

—BRIAN MILLER

ANDY HELFER ONCE TOLD ME, "IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE FIRST IDEA KEITH GIVES YOU, WAIT A MINUTE, AND HE'LL PITCH YOU ANOTHER ONE. AND IF YOU DON'T LIKE THAT ONE, WAIT A MINUTE, AND HE'LL HAVE ANOTHER ONE. YOU DON'T HAVE TO TAKE THE FIRST IDEA OFF THE TOP OF THE DECK FROM KEITH." KEITH WAS BRIGHT AND RESOURCEFUL ENOUGH THAT I ALWAYS TOOK THE FIRST IDEA OFF THE TOP OF THE DECK.

—JOEY CAVALIERI

KEITH WAS THE YOUNGEST GRUMPY OLD MAN I EVER MET—AND THAT WAS ONE OF THE REASONS WHY I LOVED HIM. THE HOURS, DAYS, MONTHS, AND YEARS WE SPENT WORKING AND PLAYING TOGETHER WERE SOME OF THE BEST IN MY TIME AT DC. WITH THE FACILITY OF A KURTZMAN, KEITH COULD PENCIL-SKETCH A FULL ISSUE OF *JLA* IN AN HOUR. AS PART OF THE *JUSTICE LEAGUE* CREW, HE WAS THE FULCRUM THAT BALANCED THE REST OF US, AND HE WILL BE MISSED.

—ANDY HELFER

I'M ALSO WORKING ON THE THIRD *[JLI]* OMNIBUS COVER, AND NOW, LOOKING AT ALL THESE KEITH GIFFEN CHARACTERS LOOKING AT ME, IT FEELS UNSURPRISINGLY MELANCHOLY. A WISE-ASS UNTIL THE END. MAY THE WINGS OF ANGELS FLY YOU ON YOUR NEW ADVENTURE, YOU MAGNIFICENT BASTARD!

—KEVIN MAGUIRE

KEITH POSSESSED AN INCREDIBLE ABUNDANCE OF TALENT, HAD A FEARLESS TAKE ON EVERY PROJECT ASKED OF HIM, AND CREATED SOME OF THE MOST ABSURD, OVER-THE-TOP, AND HILARIOUS CHARACTERS EVER. TRULY A MASTER OF EVERY FACET OF THE CRAFT OF MAKING COMICS AND A CREATIVE DYNAMO LIKE NO OTHER.

—JIM LEE

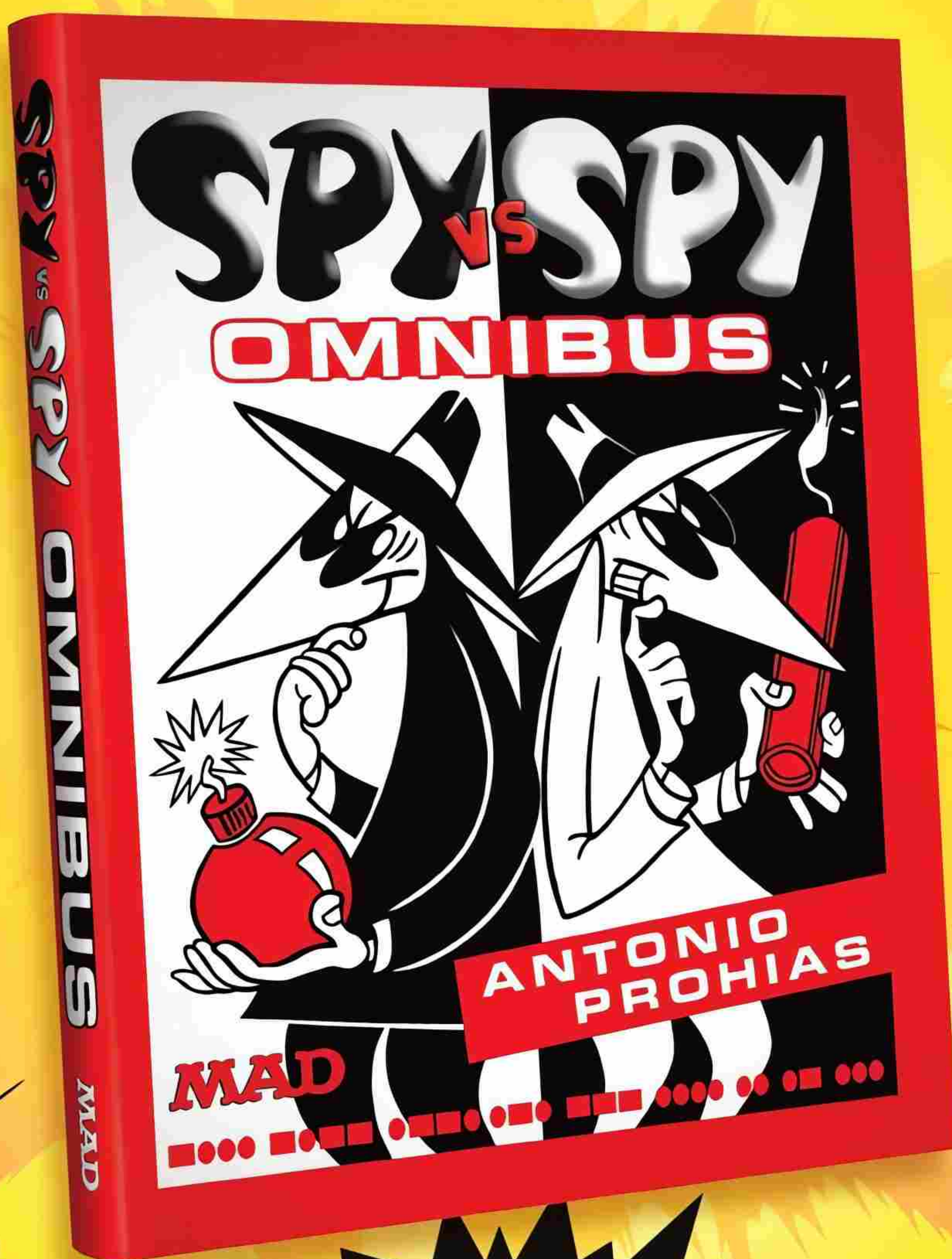
WHEN I WAS A KID, KEITH GIFFEN WAS MY FAVORITE COMIC BOOK CREATOR. IT WAS HIS WORK ON *LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES* AND *JUSTICE LEAGUE* THAT FIRST CAUGHT MY ATTENTION, AND THEN IT WAS HIS EVER-EVOLVING ART STYLE THAT SHOWED A KID LIKE ME THAT YOU COULD HAVE A WEIRD DRAWING STYLE AND STILL MAKE GOOD COMICS. KEITH'S CURMUDGEONLY STYLE HID A HEART OF GOLD AND AN ENDLESSLY RESTLESS CREATIVE SPIRIT. HE WILL BE MISSED. BY ME AND SO MANY FANS AND READERS.
REST IN PEACE, KEITH, AND THANK YOU.

—JEFF LEMIRE



YOUR ASSIGNMENT
IF YOU CHOOSE TO ACCEPT IT...
BUY THIS BOOK!

MAD



**KINDA
CHEAP!**

BOOM

THE DIABOLICAL DUO OF DOUBLE-CROSS
AND DECEIT RETURN TO PRINT IN THIS OMNIBUS
COLLECTING 50 YEARS OF SPY VS. SPY!

ON SALE IN DECEMBER

THIS AD WILL SELF-DESTRUCT IN 10 SECONDS!





SPOTLIGHT ON

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DC

TITANS BEAST WORLD

FOLLOW ALONG WITH ALL THE ACTION IN
THE UNPRECEDENTED *TITANS* CROSSOVER!

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- *NIGHTWING* #110
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